

# Crawford County Avalanche

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## New Lagoon System

### Sewage Bonds Sold by City

At a special meeting of the Grayling City Council last Wednesday night, a \$210,000 bond issue to help finance construction of a new sewage disposal system for the city was sold to Kenower, MacArthur and Co. of Detroit.

The bid for the bonds by the Detroit firm was submitted through the Grayling State Bank, and was the only one submitted, according to William Valusek, city manager.

The bond issue will run for 25 years at an interest rate of 6.57 per cent. Sale of the bonds was approved by Grayling voters in August.

Valusek said the total cost of the sewage disposal system will run very close to \$400,000. The city has commitments for state and federal funds to pay for the rest of the project, Valusek added.

At a Tuesday night special meeting of the council, a combined bid for \$355,999.75 submitted by D and L Contractors of Traverse City and T. A. Forsberg of Lansing was the apparent lowest bid submitted for the construction contract for the system.

The bids are being reviewed by Richards, Findorff and Richards, Traverse City Consulting Engineers, the city manager said. Other bidders were: Akron Construction Co., of Belleville, \$358,589; Schworm Inc., of Traverse City, \$360,781.50; and Steadman Co., of Bay City, for the pipe only, \$224,318.75. Valusek stated the Steadman bid was not acceptable because it did not cover the whole project.

Construction of the disposal system is scheduled to start early next year, with completion expected by the end of the summer, Valusek said.

## E. J. Moon Joins Bear Archery



The appointment of Ernest J. Moon as Cost Accountant at Bear Archery has been announced by Fred Bear, Company President.

Moon, 36, comes to Bear from Detroit where for the past three years he had been Plant Controller for Silvercup Bakers, Inc. Prior to that time he occupied the same position for eight years at the Toledo, Ohio plant of American Baking.

A graduate of Flint's Herbert Hoover High School, he attended the University of Michigan in Flint where he majored in accounting.

His work at Bear will include work in all phases of cost accounting, including evaluation of the costs of the several hundred products made by the company.

"We are fortunate to have a man of Mr. Moon's experience move to Grayling," said Mr. Bear, in announcing the appointment. "The growth of our business has for some time indicated the need for expansion of our Accounting Department."

Moon, his wife Helen, and three children Deborah, 15, Steve, 13, and Doug, 11 have vacationed in the Grayling area for many years. "When the opportunity came to live in Crawford County, I didn't think about it too long," he said. The Moons are presently living in the East Branch Estates.

## New Teachers In Grayling



Mrs. Nancy Anderson, third grade teacher at Grayling Elementary School is a resident of Houghton Lake, Mich. Mrs. Anderson came to the area last spring from St. Charles, Mo. where she taught school. Prior to her year in St. Charles, she taught on an Indian Reservation in Red Lake, Minn.

A graduate of Bimilgi State College in Bimilgi, Minn., Mrs. Anderson lists her hometown as International Falls, Minn.

## FATHER MILLER AT COFFEE HOUSE

Saturday night, December 26, the Grayling Coffee House will feature Father James Miller, Roman Catholic priest from Saginaw. Father Miller is co-founder of the Saginaw Night Watch ministry to nightclubs, is currently without a parish and is working with the underground church. He speaks straight with you.

The Coffee House opens at 8:30 p.m. in the basement of the Courthouse. Everyone is welcome. Admission 50c.

## County Passes Snowmobile Ordinance Here

A comprehensive snowmobile ordinance was approved Monday by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners. Chairman Earl H. "Chum" Longworth has announced. He outlined the general provisions of the ordinance as follows:

No snowmobiles will be allowed on county roads without head and tail lights. They cannot exceed a speed of 20 miles per hour, and must remain to the extreme right side of plowed shoulder of roads.

Drivers must give way to all pedestrians and obey all road signs and local, county and state traffic laws for motor vehicles, in addition to those specifically spelled out in the ordinance. They are required to wear helmets of the type required for motorcycle operators.

The ordinance prohibits entry on private property without permission of the owner, with triple damages being assessed for damage to private property, including trees.

Snowmobiles are prohibited from operating in any cemeteries and all public parks, except Frederic village park, the public lands provisions state.

## Post Office Notice

Postmaster James Post announced this week that there will be no mail deliveries in the city, rural or star routes on Saturday, Dec. 26. However, the post office window service will be open the normal hours of 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

# Christmas...

The true meaning of Christmas unites mankind throughout the world. May this Holy Season be filled with understanding and love.



## Fluoridation Program For City Water

District Health Department No. 1 announced today that the City of Grayling has instituted a water fluoridation program. The health department has recommended this program for several years and the Water Supply Section of the Michigan Department of Public Health has approved the procedure from an engineering standpoint.

Fluoridation is the upward adjustment of the fluoride content of public drinking water which is deficient in natural fluorides. This practice is the most effective, safest and simplest means of reducing tooth decay in children. The practice is endorsed by the American Dental Association, the American Medical Association, the American Public Health Association and a long list of other authorities.

Persons who have city water and are taking any form of fluoride supplements such as vitamins with fluoride should discuss this matter with their dentist. The Health Department will announce recommended policies related to topical applications of fluorides prior to their program next summer.

## Jack Hummel Killed in Accident

Word has been received by the Stanley Hummels of the death of their son, Jack Hummel, of Bonners Ferry, Idaho on Saturday, Dec. 19th. Jack was driving a grain truck between Arkansas and Idaho, and tipped over in Oklahoma, being crushed beneath the truck. Mr. and Mrs. Hummel flew from Clawson Monday to attend the funeral services scheduled for this Wednesday.

Jack was born in Maple Forest 39 years ago. His wife Fay and three children survive him, as well as four brothers, Stanley Jr. of Georgia, Roland of Clawson, Alfred of Washington, D.C., and Frances of Detroit, and a sister, Linda, at CMU, Mt. Pleasant.

## Crawford County Welcomes All Snow Lovers for the Holidays

Snowmobilers, skiers, and ice fishermen will all be welcome for the Christmas Holidays in Crawford County.

Setting the pace for the winter holiday season is the 3rd Annual New Year's Weekend Snowmobile Rally, January 1, 2, and 3.

The events, sponsored by the Grayling Trailmaster Snowmobile Club, will begin January 1st with a popular public Snowfari starting at 10:00 a.m. from the marshalling area, which is the parking lot of the Crawford County Building. The Snowfari will run the Lewiston Grade Trail with a cookout at a halfway point. Reservations can be made at the Chamber office, the Sun & Snow Equipment Shop, or prior to the Snowfari at the marshalling area.

Beginning at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, Jan. 2nd, Snowmobile Drag Races for cash and trophies will be run at the south end of Camp Grayling.

On January 3rd, M.I.S.A. sanctioned oval track races will be run at the Dunkley Snowmobile Track in Frederic, beginning at 12:00 Noon.

Bear Mt. and Skyline Ski areas are open and skiing on the slopes is excellent.

## Silver Tops

The Silver Top Senior Citizens held their monthly meeting on Dec. 8. This was a Christmas meeting starting out with the Blessing given by Mrs. Theresa Johnson, and a very delicious dinner following.

The Sweet Adelines were our guests and entertained us with some of their lovely songs of inspiration, which was greatly enjoyed by all. We very much appreciate their coming. We had many other guests also. Gift exchange and card playing rounded out a very pleasant evening.

If you know of anyone who is ill please call Mrs. Ann Legner. We do not want any Silver Top senior citizen to be alone for New Years Eve. Please call Shirley Arnold, 348-9337, for information.

We wish each one a Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Ruby Reetz, Sec'y

## New Lunch Program At High School

The possibility seems very strong that starting January 4, 1971 the Junior and Senior High School will be back on a regular schedule with classes running from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The lunch schedule will be split up into 3, 25 minute shifts. This will be necessary to have sufficient time to feed the 800 plus students at Grayling High School.

The lunch program will consist of a hot sandwich program operated in the kitchen of the gym. Students will be permitted to bring a sack lunch. Milk, potato chips and candy bars will also be sold by the Senior class.

Students will not be permitted to leave the school premises during the 25 minute lunch break. The school grounds will be operated as a closed campus situation. Students who leave the school grounds will be subject to the same disciplinary action as those who skip school.

Since the return to the normal schedule is dependent upon the completion of the new facilities, students will be asked to listen to WGRY Radio Station on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 3 and 4, for information about when to attend school.

## Recount Ballots In County District 2

Earl H. Longworth (R) gained three votes over John Horton (D), according to a recount of the November balloting for the office of county commissioner in district 2. The recount was conducted by the county canvassing board Monday.

The board re-certified Longworth's election. The final totals were Longworth 185 and Horton 166. The recount tallied so closely with the original count that it is considered a tribute to the efficiency of the election officials in Grayling and Lovell townships.

## With Three Teams

### Vikings Tie For 1st Place

Following action in the Northern Lower Michigan League last Friday evening, four teams are now tied for first place, with league play resuming on Jan. 5 after the holiday break.

The Grayling Vikings added two victories to their record last week, as they defeated the favored Onaway Cardinals on Tuesday night, 64-59, and took the measure of the Kalkaska Blue Blazers, 74-52, Friday evening.

The four way tie came about when Harbor Springs handed the Pellston Hornets their first defeat of the season, 77-66, Friday night.

Grayling, Petoskey St. Francis, Harbor Springs and Pellston, all have 4-1 records in the NLM.L. League play resumes on Jan. 5, with Mancelona at Gray-

ling; Petoskey St. Francis at Harbor Springs; Onaway at Pellston and Kalkaska at East Jordan.

In other league games last week, on Tuesday, Harbor downed East Jordan 69-62; Pellston defeated Mancelona 60-54 and St. Francis won over Kalkaska. On Friday night, East Jordan downed Mancelona 86-64 and St. Francis defeated Onaway 68-64.

Coach Tom St. Germain had four of his Viking cagers in double figures in the game at Onaway, with Jim Tobin hitting for 16 on 7-2; Terry Fitzpatrick adding 13 on 6-1; Kim Parkinson with 12 on 6 buckets and Bill Weideman scoring 11 on 4-3. Other Vikings hitting the scoring column were, Dan McIsaac with 6, Wayne Westervelt 4 and Mike McNamara 2.

The Vikings were down 33-31 at halftime, but came back in the 3rd period with a 15-9 advantage and 18-17 in the final quarter to pull the game out 64-59.

Grayling scored on 26 field goals and 12 of 30 free throw attempts, while being called on 20 personals. Onaway hit on 20 field goals and 19 of 29 charity tosses, and were called on 22 infractions. Westervelt and Fitzpatrick along with Campbell of Onaway were lost via the foul route.

Tobin swished the nets for 38 points, as he led coach St. Germain's cagers in the game with Kalkaska, hitting on 17 field goals and 4 of 6 charity tosses. Fitzpatrick hit for 11 on 4-3 and Parkinson added 10 on 5 buckets to also be in double figures.

Westervelt chipped in with 7, followed by McIsaac, Weideman, Bill Millikin and Larry Nelson with 2 points each.

The Vikings jumped out in front 22 to 16 at the end of the first period, and held a 29-24 intermission lead. The game was never in doubt in the second half, as the local cagers held 22-16 and 23-12 advantages in the final two periods.

Westervelt cleared the boards for 21 rebounds, followed by Fitzpatrick with 15, McIsaac 14, Parkinson 9 and Tobin with 8. Grayling outscored Kasky 52 to 18 in field goals, while hitting on 10 of 20 free throws to the Blue Blazers' 16 of 24. The Vikings were called on 17 personals to the visitors' 15.

Coach Howard Lehti's Viking JV's split in their two games last week, as they won over the little Cardinals on Tuesday 61 to 53, and then were handed their first defeat of the season Friday by the little Blue Blazers, 56-54.

Dale Melroy with 19 points on 4-11, Joe Shepler, 15 on 7-1 and Chris Duncley with 13 on 6-1, were in double figures in the win over Onaway. Also scoring were Bill Horning with 8, Mike Hoffman with 4 and Jim McClain 2 points.

Coach Lehti had two players in double figures in the 2 point loss to the little Blue Blazers, as Melroy hit for 15 on 7-1 and Duncley had 13 on a 4-1 count. Also in the scoring column were Shepler with 7, Horning 6, Dave White 5, and Hoffman and Dan McClain with 4 each.

## At Hotel

### To Hold Cancer Meeting Here

Cancer Crusade Chair man Mrs. B. E. Henig has received word of an eight-county Crusade orientation and training meeting called for Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1971 at Chief Shoppenagon Hotel by the American Cancer Society Division Crusade Director Robert E. Waite.

The meeting will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a noon luncheon scheduled. Cost of the luncheon is \$3.00.

Counties included are Crawford, Clare, Gladwin, Missaukee, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Roscommon.

The meeting is designed for training of Crusade leadership and will emphasize the five primary areas of fund raising. In addition time will be allotted to review the publicity kits that will feature the 1971 Crusade for newspapers, radio and television.

## Christmastide Services

ST. MARY'S CHURCH  
Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve, 9 p.m. Mass  
Dec. 25 — Christmas Day  
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass

MT. HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve  
7:30 p.m. Caroling, Candlelight, Communion Worship

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve  
6:30 p.m. Worship Service

MICHELSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve  
7:30 p.m. Candlelight Service, song and story "Why the Chimes Rang"

Dec. 27 — Ranged Recognition Sunday, both 9:30 and 11:00 Services

Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve, 7:30 p.m. Service of Rededication and Communion

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH  
Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve  
7:00 p.m. Choral Eucharist  
Dec. 25 — Christmas Day  
10 a.m., Celebration of Holy Communion

ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Dec. 23 — Children's Christmas program, 7:00 p.m.  
Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve Services at Gaylord Assembly of God, 9:00 p.m.

Kirtland Faculty In Basketball Benefit

The Kirtland Community College faculty will be playing the first in a series of basketball games this Friday, Dec. 18th. This game will be played in the Mio AuSable School gym at 7:30 p.m. with the opponents being Mio's faculty.

Gate receipts from this series of games will go toward a scholarship fund being established within each participating high school, for a student to attend Kirtland next year. Schools within the college district that have indicated an interest in participating in this type of fund raising for scholarships are Mio, Houghton Lake, Roscommon, Fairview and Ogemaw Heights. Hale and Johannesburg have also indicated an interest in this type of arrangement.

Support from the area basketball fans will be appreciated, especially by the prospective students to benefit from the scholarship monies.

A more complete schedule will be released at a later date.

## To Hold Benefit Bridge Party By St. Francis Church

For students' college scholarship benefits, a bridge party will be held Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 1 p.m. at the St. Francis Episcopal Church parish house on M-72 West.

Both men and women are invited. Prizes will be awarded. The minimum charge will be \$1 but any amount will be welcomed.

The party is being sponsored by the Wednesday afternoon bridge group that plays regularly at the parish house for the benefit of the Episcopal Church.

For reservations, please call Gladys Munford, 348-8431.



## GREETINGS

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**December 31st**

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## Area Boy Scouts Plan Major Environmental Program for 1971

A task force of 4,200 area Boy Scouts has set its sights on environmental improvement as a major good turn for 1971.

Project SOAR (Save Our American Resources) will involve scouts from the seven counties of the Paul Bunyan Council. And on a national scale some five million scouts will join the program.

"We already have reports of dozens of projects planned in our areas," said Arthur E. Henry, scout executive. "They range from a deer habitat census in the Roscommon area to building a nature trail near Delta College."

Advising the local scouts is a broad-range group of environmental specialists from industry, education and government, including the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan United Conservation Clubs.

"Basically, Project SOAR is an educational process for the boys, their parents and the community," said Norman R. Peterson, of Midland, chairman of the advisory committee. "But we expect to see a great deal of practical benefit result from the boys' work."

Peterson invited clubs, scouts and explorers who want to get involved to see their local scout executives. The headquarters at 402 East Ellsworth in Midland, covers activities of scouts in 10 s.c.o., Ogemaw, Roscommon, Crawford, Arenac, Gladwin and Midland counties. There also are district offices in West Branch and Gladwin.

Choice of specific projects is up to council's 47 cub packs, 61 scout troops and 22 explorer posts. Idea lists are being distributed to leaders and several special training sessions have been conducted this month to prepare for 1971.

## BITS O' TALK

Mr. and Mrs. David McEvers of Bloomfield Hills arrived on Friday to spend until Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted McEvers. Roger is home from Michigan State for the holidays also.

A family get-together is being planned to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McEvers on Christmas Eve. Those expected to attend are Mr. and Mrs. Ted McEvers and family, Mr. and Mrs. David McEvers, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McEvers and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Niederer of Houghton Lake and families, and of course the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McEvers.

Rita McEvers and a daughter spent the past Sunday in Bay City visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Laks.

Mrs. Amelia Cobb and son, Jack of Midland called on Mrs. Mattie Lowe one day last week. Mattie is expecting her son Mr. and Mrs. William Lowe and family of Bay City up for Christmas. Also her grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lowe of Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Schofield are expected Christmas guests at the home of his mother, Mrs. John Schofield, and sister, Glenda. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schofield and family of Beaverton are expected to spend Christmas at the home of their respective parents, Mrs. John Schofield and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Wakeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nolan and family of Grand Ledge plan on spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Sales.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bryan plan on spending the Christmas weekend with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Dodge of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Gehring of Brighton arrived last Wednesday to spend a few days visiting his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoerl.

Mrs. Howard Benedict returned home last Wednesday after spending a few days in Pontiac visiting her daughter, Mrs. Richard Vore and family. Mrs. Benedict and boys planned on going to Sandusky, Ohio, to spend Christmas with another daughter, Mickey Kellogg and family.

Candy Henig arrived home from Indiana on Friday to spend the holidays with her parents. Gretchen was expected to arrive home Sunday, from Indiana also. Other guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. B. E. Henig for Christmas and about a week are Mrs. Henig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Farrington of Lansing. They expect Don and Jan Sawyer of Newfoundland to spend Christmas day and the following week with them.

Vickie and Brad Sheer arrived home from Central to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scheer. Vickie expected her friend, Rick Saddle of Flint to come up for the weekend of Dec. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard DuBois spent Saturday and Sunday visiting the S. E. DuBoises of Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Woehle in Berkley. They were to meet Gary and Steve there and on Monday left to fly to Fort Lauderdale, Fla. to visit Dick's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Fox. They planned to return home on December 27.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Houle for Christmas are their daughter Chris Merithew and daughters of Bay City, and Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and daughter Jami of Parma, Ohio. They expected the Walkers to spend about a week with them.



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What is this spark that

makes men seek a higher plane? It is the yearning that set the Wise Men's feet to follow a star, the longing of the multitudes that thronged the hills of Galilee to hear the words of Jesus, the thirst of every man to know God's presence in his life.

In this age of chaos and confusion there is no better resolution than to attend our churches where wisdom and compassion are taught.



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Saturdays at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

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Worship Service 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.  
Youth Service 6:30 p.m.  
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Evening Service 7:30 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening, 7:00 p.m.

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Services held on Saturday in Gaylord S.D.A. Church, 206 Fifth Street.  
Sabbath School 9:45 a.m.  
Church Service 11 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
You are Welcome. For information call Alva Stephan 348-3657. Services also held at Camp Ausable during summer season and when the camp is occupied. Call 348-5491. Pastor, Jess Nephew.

**Christian Science Society**  
206 Fifth St.  
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Church Services 10:30 a.m.

**Assembly of God Church**  
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Sunday School 10 a.m.  
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Evening Service 7 p.m.  
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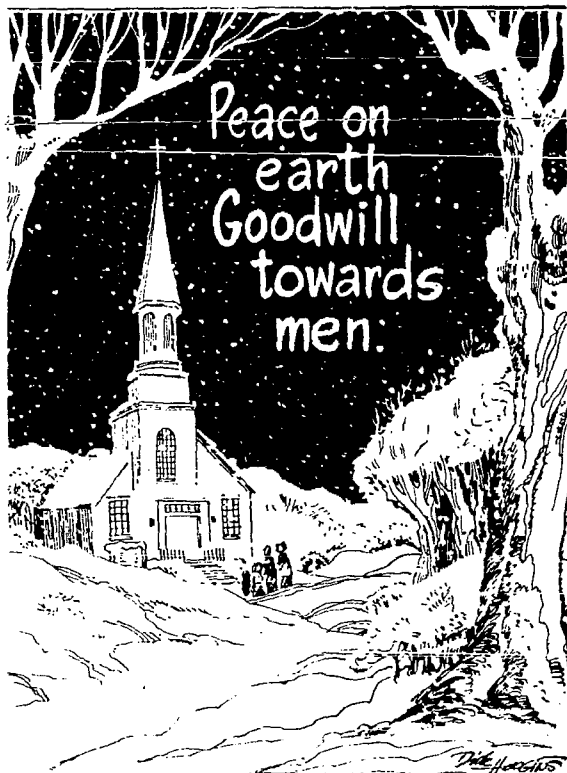
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## CHRISTMAS 1970

The essence of the Christmas spirit is in the words: Peace on Earth, Goodwill Towards Men. Around this simple premise, Christian and non-Christian may join and make this season one of united purpose. Peace and Goodwill summarize our hopes and aspirations for all of the world.

Hopefully, the recent beginnings toward peace in our troubled world will be recorded in history as actions which led to an end of the shooting and the beginning of accord.

As for Goodwill, the divisiveness of the election campaign and the civil disorders of the past months have not brought us together. All rational men must seek workable alternatives which preserve the dignity of man and recognize that the public sense of right and wrong cannot be ignored.

Mutual tolerance and understanding can be mankind's greatest Christmas gift to itself.

## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

December 25, 1947

Congratulations are in order for Mrs. Matilda Foley Bishop, who has been chosen by the Troop Information and Education Division of the War Department at Washington, D.C. to teach American soldiers in Japan.

Beginning February 1 the Conservation Department is shifting responsibility for field activities from its office in Lansing to regional offices in Marquette, Roscommon and Jackson.

The Grayling Legion Post 106, with the able assistance of the roly poly, white-bearded gentleman known as Santa Claus, Saint Nick, Saint Nicholas and a variety of other cognomens, played host to the children of Grayling and Crawford County on Monday afternoon at the Legion Hall.

The wedding ceremony of Miss Joyce Irene Wardell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wardell, Lansing and William C. Sorenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson of Grayling, was performed by Karl Krauss at 7 p.m. Saturday in Emmanuel First Lutheran Church in Lansing.

The Guy Kelloggs of Saginaw will spend Christmas with her parents, the A. D. Lengs.

Duke, the beautiful Great Dane dog of Lyle Dunckley's has been missing for almost a week. Fear is that he has been killed. He is missed greatly by people here who liked him very much.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tufts (Pauline Schoonover) have moved into their newly constructed home on the Manistee River.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hendrickson and son, Alfred, motored to Houston, Texas, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Billsby are spending Christmas with his parents, at Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Christian and daughter Jacquelyn, left Friday night for Phoenixville, Pa., to spend the holidays visiting Mrs. Christian's mother.

Captain and Mrs. Clyde Borchers and son, Billy, arrived Thursday morning from Great Falls, Mont., to spend the holidays. They are enroute to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. George Griffith recently returned from spending ten days visiting friends in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Miss Caroline Nelson is home from U. of M. to spend the holidays with her parents, the A. J. Nelsons.

Dr. and Mrs. Dwight Stiles and three daughters of Dayton, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. John Derrickson and two daughters of Muskegon and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bernard and two daughters of Pontiac expect to spend Christmas with the ladies parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. VanVleck.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wade are in Toledo, Ohio to spend the holidays with their daughter and family.

The James Bakers (Joan Bishop) of Bluffton, Ind., are here to spend Christmas with her parents, the Fred Bishaws.

Mrs. Van Smith opened her home at Lake Margrethe to Home Extension Group III for their second annual Christmas party Monday evening. It was a potluck dinner and the table was lovely in the Christmas colors with a decorated yule log holding lighted tapers for the centerpiece and miniature yule logs and tapers marking each place. After dinner gifts were exchanged and the remainder of the evening spent playing bridge and pinocle.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Olson celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Saturday. The Robert Feldhausers were their supper guests that evening for the occasion.

Home Extension Club I met with Mrs. Ed Feldhauser last Thursday afternoon. Plans were made for the community Christmas party. Groups 1 and 2 agreed to share the responsibilities of this holiday event.

Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Puffer expect to visit his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sebring and sister, Miss Emma in Evart during the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Freeman of Gagetown are spending the holidays with their daughter and family, the Willard Cornells.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ingalls and sister Monala Ingalls of Flint spent from Saturday until Monday at the home of Clarence's and Monala's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cholo.

Tuesday evening of last week Miss Pat Stephan was hostess to a farewell dinner party given in honor of Melvin Marshall, Jr., who left for the Army Thursday. There were fourteen young people seated at the table that was decorated with a centerpiece of evergreen and red tapers.

Miss Greta Rasmussen invited in a number of her girl friends Saturday in celebration of her 22nd birthday, which fell on December 24. Beatrice Quinn, Joan Andrews and Sally Bishaw won prizes in the contest.

Nancy Papenfus spent the weekend with her cousin, Lou Ann McEvers at Lake Margrethe.

Stanley Hummel received a sweepstakes ribbon, having been named the champion of the premier table stock growers show. He won with a yield of 535 bushels of potatoes per acre with no irrigation.

## 46 YEARS AGO —

December 25, 1924

Miss Ruth Ryan of Petoskey is a guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Joseph and family.

Among those home from schools to spend the holidays with their parents are Eleanor Schumann, Beulah Collen, Ruth McCullough, Fred Edwards, Rosemary Mahoney and Herman Hanson.

Moscow, George Tchitcherin, the Soviet Minister of foreign affairs, December 11, sent a caustic note to secretary of State Hughes at Washington, complaining that the United States Coast Guard vessel Bear, in 1920 had committed an act which constituted a gross violation of international law and of the sovereignty of the Soviet Republic. The note added that a similar "lawless act" would be sternly repressed by the Soviet Government. The complaint of the Soviet Government was that the Bear had affixed a brass plate to a rock on the Chukotsk Peninsula in Emma Bay, Cape Pusino, in Siberia near Bering Straits bearing the inscription "United States Geodetic Magnetic Station." The plate, which was discovered by the Soviet authorities bears the warning "For disturbing this plate \$250 fine or imprisonment."

Ernest and Lester Olson are home from Detroit to remain over the holidays.

Mrs. Martha McMasters is spending the holidays in Bay City visiting relatives.

Russell Robertson left Tuesday to visit over Christmas at the home of his sister, Mrs. Arthur Anderson.

Elmer Fenton, who has been in Alma the past few months, returned to Grayling Saturday, expecting to remain here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams are enjoying a visit from their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowen of Martin over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Creque and children of Flint are expected to arrive Saturday to spend a few days visiting Mrs. Creques parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Rasmussen.

A. B. Failing, who is employed at the T. E. Douglas store in Lovells left Sunday night for Dayton, Ohio, to spend the holidays with his daughter, Miss Francilla Failing who is attending school in that city and making her home with her aunt, Mrs. A. H. Weltz.

## Sen. Hart Acts To Block AuSable Manistee Development

WASHINGTON—Senator Philip A. Hart (D-Mich.) today introduced a bill to stop development temporarily on scenic sections of Michigan's AuSable and Manistee Rivers.

The sections affected would be:

\* The AuSable, downstream from Foot Dam to Oscoda; and upstream from Loud Reservoir to the source of the river, including the principal tributaries but excluding Mio and Bamfield reservoirs.

\* The Manistee, from Manistee Lake, upstream to its source, including its principal tributaries but excluding Tippy and Hadenpyl Reservoirs.

Hart's bill would add those sections to a national list of 27 rivers under study for possible addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system. Michigan's Pere Marquette is one of the 27. Development is prohibited while the river is under study. If it is determined that a river should be protected permanently, additional legislation is required to add it to the wild rivers system.

Hart said that he introduced the bill because of reports that stretches of wild shoreline of the rivers were being sold or leased.

He added that the Departments of Interior and Agriculture, which administer the wild rivers program, had indicated interest in the Michigan rivers.

Hart reported that Walter J. Hickel, before he was dismissed as Secretary of the Interior, expressed support of the bill.

Hickel wrote Hart that introduction of the bill would "afford them (the rivers) some degree of protection and would encourage the Consumers Power Company to discontinue further leasing of its lands and perhaps gradually to phase out existing leases."

Consumers owns much of the rivers' remaining wild shorelines.

Hart explained that he introduced the bill late in the session with the hope of accomplishing the results suggested by Hickel.

He went on to say that he would re-introduce the bill next year and push for early consideration.

"Because the rivers flow thru national forests as well as state-owned and privately-held land, a coordinated state-federal effort is needed if the scenic portions of these rivers are to be preserved," he said.

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Elsie Anderson

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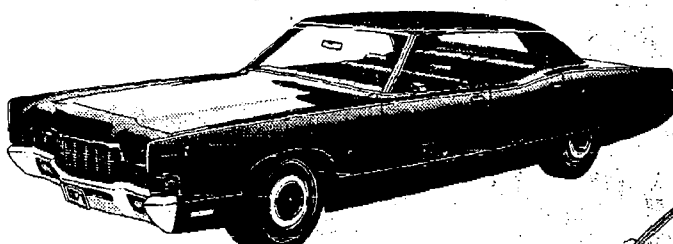
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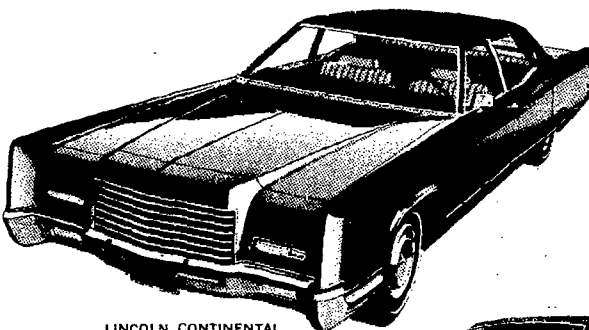
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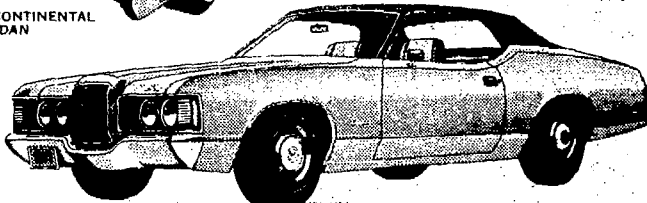
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Here are the winners and their Dens: Danny LaChapelle, Den 1; Peter Schichtel, Den 2; Kent Denton, Den 3; Russell Frederick, Den 4; Brian Rettell, Den 5; Scott Norman, Den 6; Russell Shepard, Den 7; Barry Cole, Den 8; Mathew Mahaney, Den 9; Roy Morrison and Marc Batway from our Webelos Den 2.

We are grateful to our judges, Ruth Fenton, Treva Engel and Tressa Johnson, who did an outstanding job in selecting the winning cakes.

Our hats are also off to our great story teller and auctioneer, Irving Melsaac, who kept us smiling while he was taking our money. You're a good man, Irv.

We had a three-way tie for the Cubby Award, Dens 3, 4 and 7.

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## Natural Resources Hi-Lights for '70



**MERCURY POLLUTION POSES A NEW DANGER TO HUMAN HEALTH**  
Canada's announcement on March 24, 1970, that 12,000 pounds of commercially caught white-eyed pike from Lake St. Clair were to be destroyed because of mercury contamination set off a chain reaction of fishing closures and restrictions encompassing 10 states and four provinces. Immediately after the announcement, an intensive search for more information began and soon it became clear that Lake St. Clair was the critical Americans needed to become aware of widespread mercury contamination of the environment.

Anti-pollution buttons came popping out all over Michigan in 1970. They symbolized a restive spirit to right the environmental wrongs of these times, which dramatically came to the fore at a series of environmental teach-ins on college campuses across Michigan and the nation. Charging up the campaign there and on many other fronts were stern warnings that the countdown for survival was rapidly under way. That dire prediction was dramatized with bombshell impact when mercury contamination was discovered in Lake St. Clair and connecting waters bordering Ontario and southeastern Michigan. This turn of events set off a chain reaction of fishing closures and restrictions, and rocked Americans into an awareness of the widespread mercury problem. Michigan lawmakers passed a "Truth in Pollution" bill which bore importantly upon the mercury situation, and they cleared several other landmark measures which were in step with the year's environmental movement. Of the many causes they championed in 1970, environmentalists spoke out loud and clear against petroleum drilling operations in northern Michigan. The Natural Resources Commission responded to their pollution fears by making a sweeping number of changes in the state's oil and gas program to maximize environmental safeguards. Lake Michigan's sport fishery produced a super season as anglers took an estimated 884,000 trout and salmon from its waters for a new high. It also approached world record proportions when Ivor Pomeroy of Traverse City (lower left photo) landed a 27-pound, 3-ounce coho in the West Arm of Grand Traverse Bay.



**OUTDOORS with GORDIE**  
by GORDON CHARLES

When the rains come in the early part of winter and wash away the snow, it brings groans from snowmobilers and skiers. For rabbit hunters, though, it's a thing of pure joy.

That's exactly what happened the first part of December in some parts of northern Michigan. Warm weather and rain combined to melt a way the snows for at least a little while. Delighted hunters in snowshoes hare country promptly took advantage of the situation.

The snowshoe hare or varying hare is a turncoat type of rabbit. During the spring, summer and fall months he wears a brownish fur that blends in very well with his surroundings. Come winter, however, and he changes into a nice white coat that provides him with ideal camouflage against the snow.

Take away the snow, though, and the snowshoe is really in a mess. He stands out then like a neon sign. Even this wouldn't be too bad but he thinks he is still hidden so he can be approached quite easily before he will jump out and run.

Under these circumstances, you might think hunters would swarm into the swamps and a wipe out the white rabbits. But, it doesn't work out that way. More often than not, even with that protective camouflage missing, the snowshoe hares are passed by without being noticed.

Because of their cautious nature, these bunnies tend to sit back under a stump or near the edge of a brushpile instead of right out in the open. At such times it is necessary for a hunter to check on any small patch of white. In areas of white birch, which includes much of the north country, bits of white bark will be lying around to lend a bit of unplanned camouflage to the white rabbits.

At such times and in such places, it is very easy to walk right past a snowshoe hare that is hunched down in his form for the day. The hunter who knows what he is doing will walk along very slowly, looking for parts of a rabbit, rather than all of it. A white ear or foot or perhaps part of the back showing over the top of a small log will be all that can be seen. Look close enough, though, and there will be enough to give him away.

The hunter who really wants the ultimate in his sport can arm himself with a .22 pistol or, if he prefers bow and arrow.

## Council Proceedings

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
December 16, 1970

A Special Meeting of the Grayling City Council was held at the City Hall on December 16, 1970.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Derek McEvers at 8:00 p.m.

Councilmen present: McEvers, Thomson, Bovee, Forbes. Councilmen absent: Golnick.

Mayor McEvers called for his for purchase of \$210,000.00 General Obligation Sewage Disposal Bonds.

Mr. Jack Alef, President Grayling State Bank, submitted a bid for Kenower, MacArthur and Company, Division of American Securities Corporation.

The following preamble, resolution were offered by Councilman Thomson, supported by Councilman Bovee:

WHEREAS, December 16, 1970, at 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, has been set as the date and time for opening bids for the purchase of \$210,000.00 General Obligation Sewage Disposal System Bonds of the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan; AND WHEREAS, said bids have been publicly opened and read; AND WHEREAS, the following bids have been received:

Bidder: Kenower, MacArthur & Co.; Maturity: Oct. 1, 1970 - Oct. 1, 1996; Interest Rate: 6.5669%; Premium: 30.87.

AND WHEREAS, the bid of Kenower, MacArthur & Co. has been determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the City; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The bid of Kenower, MacArthur & Co. as above stated, be and the same is hereby accepted.

2. Checks of the unsuccessful bidders be returned to each bidder's representative or by registered mail.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

Ayes: Councilmen Thomson, Bovee, Forbes, McEvers. Nays: None. Resolution Declared Adopted. Moved by Thomson, supported by Bovee to adjourn.

Yeas, all. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Derek McEvers, Mayor  
William Valusek, City Manager and Clerk

**Frederic**  
By Abbie Madill

The community extends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

The Frederic friends of James Broadworth extend their sympathy to his family.

**Women of the Moose**  
It's beginning to look like Christmas, in fact it was Christmas at the Moose Lodge Sunday, Dec. 20th. Santa was there to pass out goodies to the children.

Also the Moose Lodge wishes to thank the Grayling State Bank and 15 merchants who were so kind to make donations to help make it possible.

The W.O.T.M. on December 21st had a potluck 6 o'clock dinner, asking their husbands to join them. Afterwards the women held their meeting, then adjourned to the basement to exchange gifts.

Next meeting will be January 4. How about all showing up to make plans, to make the last six months of our year a real big one.

Loretta Johnson, publicity

**Bit by bit... every litter bit hurts!**  
**KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL!**

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## Christmas Wishes

Jolly old St. Nick is coming to help us thank all our patrons, friends, ... you!

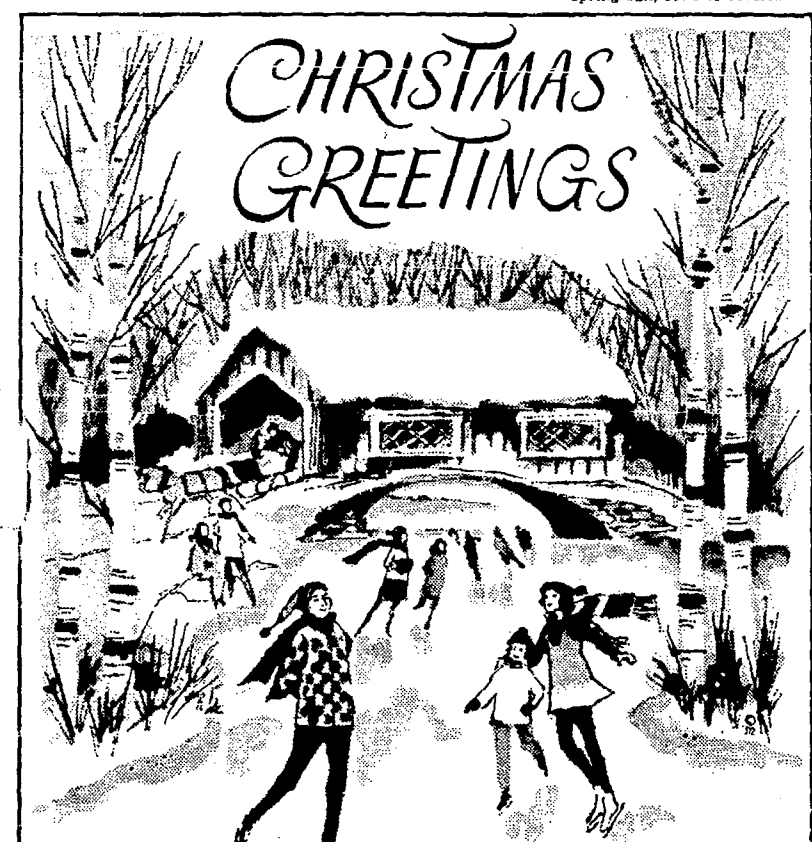
**PLAZA BAR**



## Greetings

At this happy holiday season, we merrily send warmest greetings and good wishes. We thank you for your many kind favors.

**R & H SPORT CENTER**  
Ray Pease 107 Lake St.



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Christmas is a special time filled with merriment for one and all. We hope your holidays are exceptionally happy, and thanks for making us happy by being a loyal friend and customer.

**ROCHETTE SHELL SERVICE & PARTY STORE**

### ABOUT ORNAMENTS

Christmas tree decorations and ornaments are not of ancient origin. They are, however, old enough to be collectible, and there are some delightful and intriguing tree decorations first used in the nineteenth century. There are fascinating collections being assembled by astute individuals who foresee a considerable rise in their values in coming years.

Nineteenth century glassblowers produced all sorts of fanciful glass ornaments for Christmas trees, most of them dating from about the 1850s.

Glass balls of the type used today as ornaments are by no means recent. They were blown in various colors during the last century. They were easily breakable and are quite difficult to come by today. The nineteenth century glass balls were a good bit heavier than their modern counterparts with which we are so familiar.

#### There's A 'Right' Way To Shop For Toys

Be aware of what might give children pleasure at Christmas. Knowing how to buy toys can make the difference between the successful and the frustrated Santa.

Test some of the toys that you see and like. Among the appealing, amusing or even beneficial, some are merely frustrating to both adults and children.

In order to avoid tears on Christmas morning, have the store clerk open the package before you take it home. Make sure that what you buy is complete and in working order before you pay for it.

Consider your child's age and abilities, he wants something that he can play with or he can assemble without parental help. Often toys are too complicated for the child to really enjoy.

#### Christmas Everywhere

The spirit of Christmas is a universal spirit, which each nation has shaped into its own individual customs and traditions. In various observances we can see gratitude and we can hear the warm greeting which comes from every heart.

#### Thoughtful Gift Easy To Give, Well-Received

Recipes that are treasured for their ease of preparation or their own deliciousness make wonderful gifts to share with friends and family. Recipes written in your own handwriting and accompanied by a container of the finished product, its a truly thoughtful gift.

For example fill a small crystal bowl or glass with Gourmet Strawberry preserves, which can be made any time. The following is very very simple and very very good.

Mix 1 tablespoon orange liqueur with 1 cup strawberry preserves. Delicious!

#### LOG BURNING

Fireplaces today, though smaller than those of yesteryear, symbolize at Christmas the age old custom of burning the log.

The Yule Log was adapted to Holiday celebrations from the Scandinavian practice of building huge bonfires at the winter solstice. Fire represented the spring sun, soon to return.

### SUBSCRIBE TO THE AVALANCHE



**Hello... Merry Christmas!**

Santa's on his way to you with a list of merry wishes and thanks for your loyal support.

**MILLER'S HARWARE**



## Greetings

As you rejoice on Christmas, may you gather many blessings and gain deep spiritual contentment.

**SEARS - ROEBUCK Catalog Merchant**

Loren Goods



## Merry Christmas

WARM FRIENDSHIP. CHILDREN PLAYING. MERRIMENT... ALL PART OF A JOYFUL YULETIDE.

FOR US, CHRISTMAS IS ALSO TIME TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROSITY.

**TIP TOP TOGS**  
(CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE UNTIL JAN. 4th)



### Piñata Fun Gets Break

A joyous Christmas tradition for Mexican boys and girls is the breaking of the piñata, a decorated earthen jar.

Sometimes, the piñata may be a caricature of people or animals.

The piñata is suspended by a rope that can raise or lower it. Each child is blindfolded and usually given three chances to poke at the piñata with a stick.

When it's broken, the piñata releases a bounty of delicious fruits, sweets, nuts and toys.

The children scramble to claim as many goodies as possible.

#### Christmas Rewards

The Birth of Christ is celebrated at Christmas. But, in effect it is everybody's birthday, and the celebration going on all over the world. Therefore, Christmas is many things — some real, some only felt.

Christmas is the excited gleam in the eyes of children; it is the happy music (to celebrate a birth) and talking and laughing; it is the brightly painted toys and decorated trees. It is the tinkling of bells and the taste of candies. It is the calm fulfillment that follows hectic days of preparation.

There is a feeling of compassion for the less fortunate that glows more warmly on this day than any other day.

Christmas is the time of the heart's inventory, the time of being together and going home.

Most of all, Christmas is the time of transformation of mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers, into the children they once were — and still are — for a very short time this one day of the year.

#### Something For Nothing: There's Always A Catch

A variety of newspaper or magazine ads, as well as many other promotions, fill mail boxes more than usual at this time of year.

Be particularly wary when you are offered something-for-nothing. When you buy, be sure you know just what you are to receive, how much you are to pay and when you will receive.

Nearly always the cost of the free item is included in the price of the item for which you pay.

The intelligent consumer should realize that it is unrealistic for a merchant to hand out free gifts indiscriminately.

You would think that we would be exceedingly suspicious of any something-for-nothing deal. Actually, the promotions are thriving as never before.

### "HAVE A SAFE SANE HOLIDAY" DRIVE WITH CARE



Here comes Santa Claus! Hope his pack is brimming with lots of good things for you and your family and friends.

**KRUMREI DISTRIBUTORS**



We hope your holiday scores high in fun and good cheer, and we extend the best.

We thank you for your kind patronage

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 106**



## Christmas Greetings

The beauty of the Christmas countryside fills hearts with warmth and good cheer. We take this time to share with you the traditional greetings of the season, and to thank you for your loyal support.

**GRAYLING LUMBER AND SUPPLY CO.**

SUBSCRIBE TO THE AVALANCHE



*A Peaceful Christmas*  
Serene good wishes  
and sincere thanks.

Thru our doors pass the best people in the world — our customers —

To Each and Every One A

**Merry Christmas**

and a

**Happy New Year**

**Al and Jessies Restaurant**



May holiday blessings brighten your tree. Many thanks for being able to serve you.

**H. G. JARMIN**  
GENERAL INSURANCE

## What Are the Facts About Christmas?

Everybody thinks that space travel is something very new, but an elderly gentleman in a rather unique "space-suit" set the pace years ago. His name: Santa Claus.

Now is the season when he's taking off again, for it's Christmas.

How much do you know about Christmas and Santa Claus? Here are some questions, developed with the help of the editors of the Encyclopedia International, to test your knowledge. The answers are at the bottom.

1. The first known Christmas card was designed in 1843 by an Englishman named:

- (A) Charles Dickens  
(B) Sir Henry Cole  
(C) John Calcott Horsley

2. The first Christian Nativity feast, celebrating the birth of Christ, occurred in the fourth century on:

- (A) January 6  
(B) July 4  
(C) December 25

3. Christmas did not become a legal holiday in the U.S. until:

- (A) The Puritans arrived in New England  
(B) 1856  
(C) Santa's Helpers Union went on strike.

4. The original name of the gentleman we know today as Santa Claus was:

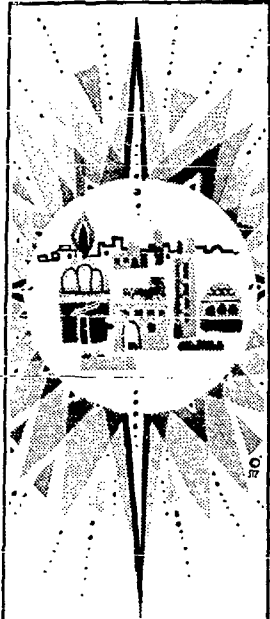
- (A) Kris Kringle  
(B) Clement C. Moore  
(C) St. Nicholas

1. (C) is correct. Artist Horsley designed the first known Christmas greeting card for his friend, Sir Henry Cole, a wealthy London gentleman. Charles Dickens had his share in Christmas 1843, too. His book, "A Christmas Carol," was published that year.

2. (A) is correct. At first, January 6, the Epiphany, was observed as the feast of Jesus' baptism, with a secondary emphasis on His birth. It was not until the 5th century A.D. that Christmas was generally celebrated on December 25.

3. (B) is correct. New England states outlawed the celebration of Christmas until the middle of the 19th century.

4. (C) is correct. Kris Kringle is the German name for Santa, while Clement C. Moore contributed to the image of Santa Claus with his poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," in 1823. St. Nicholas was a real person, a fourth century bishop, and the first Santa Claus.



**PEACE,  
Goodwill  
toward men**

At this joyful season, may there come to every heart a glad renewal of the warming spirit of peace and good will to all.

**Bill's Laundry  
AND  
Dry Cleaning**  
100 MICHIGAN AVENUE  
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

## Smiling Spirit Of Christmas Enters Now

*Everywhere, There Is Fellowship,  
With Faith, Feasting, Fun*

By ANNA MANG

Christmas is: A time for sharing and surprises, a time for magic and merriment, and a time to say, "Glad greetings, one and all."

Christmas is: The season of song and celebration, the season of little children and love and laughter, and the season of worship and rejoicing.

Christmas is: For fellowship and feasting, for family and friends, for home and happiness. But Christmas, too, is for remembering the stranger within the gates, for cheering the lonely, comforting the sorrowful, befriending the needy.

Christmas is: For everyone — for those of Christian faith who celebrate the Day as a holy time of highest importance, and for those of other faiths, who love and observe the Yuletide as a holiday dedicated to good will and good cheer. Best of all, Christmas is: Here! Throughout this community, plans and preparations reach their peak. Every joyous surprise is at the point of revelation. The tree lights go on, the carols ring out, the gaily-wrapped gifts are delivered.

With gleeful smiles, the children welcome Santa's bounty, while the grown-ups greet one another, and talk and laugh and even shed a happy tear or two, rejoicing in the deep and tender meaning of the Christmas spirit.

If there was a bit of hustle — and even some hassle — about the getting-ready process, all is now forgotten in the glow and glory of Christmas. The quickened pace of modern living seems to make it almost impossible to prepare for the holiday without setting, at times, a somewhat hectic pace.

Be that as it may, the glad, true spirit of the season inspires this Christmas planning, and Christmas realities, in all their wonder and warmth, more than make up for the pre-holiday hurry and scurry.

### It's Traditional

The tree may be aluminum instead of spruce or fir. Santa may arrive by helicopter instead of reindeer-drawn sleigh. And the children's gifts will probably reflect the space age and the wonders of electronics.

No matter. However modern the celebration of Christmas may seem to be, its spirit is still old-fashioned, and though customs may appear in contemporary guise, they are still the cherished traditions from the past.

These treasured customs are the heart of Christmas, growing dearer year by year, as memories of "what we did last Christmas" add to every family's own special, traditional way of celebrating Christmas.

### Naming Santa

Santa Claus is a tradition — a pleasant one, indeed. And, traditionally, he owes his name to a gift-giver of the past.

St. Nicholas, a fourth century bishop who became the patron saint of children, was noted for his generosity. His Dutch name was "Sinter Niklaas," which gradually changed to Santa Claus.

Even today, Santa is also known as "St. Nick."

### Sending Greetings

"We wish you a merry Christmas."

### Buoy Replaces Men

A Large Navigational Buoy (LNB) has been ordered by the Coast Guard to replace lightships along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Unmanned and built at a cost of \$250,000 each, they will replace a \$2.5 million lightship and a crew of 15 to 19 men as well as support personnel.

The buoy weighs 104 tons, measures 40 feet in diameter which supports a 38-foot tower housing a 7,500 candlepower light and a radio beacon antenna. It is diesel-powered.

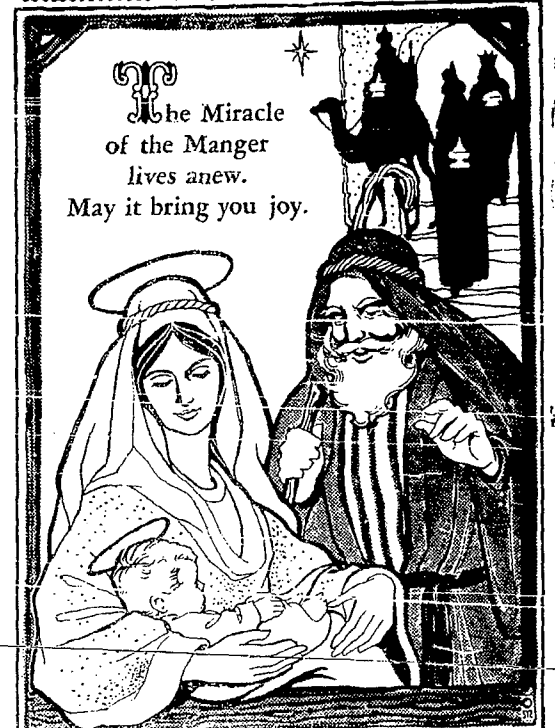


*To wish  
you  
Joy*



At this joyous time-of-year, we extend best wishes to all our neighbors.

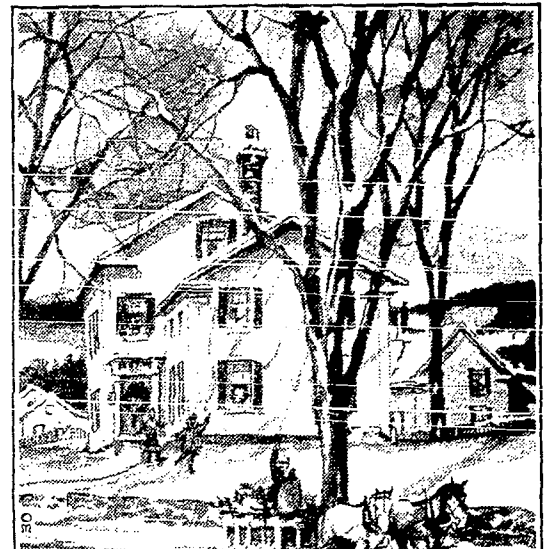
**SIDPOCKET  
BILLIARD**



Heartfelt appreciation to our customers.

**AU SABLE HOTEL**

Bob and Laura Sellers, Owners



*Christmas Joy*

As this quiet scene reflects Christmas peace, may all share its true tranquility.

**AuSable Souvenir Works**

Frederic



*Greetings*

'Tis the season to be jolly... and to share with neighbors and friends the merriment of Christmas. To all, "Happy Holiday!"

**at Christmas**

Old-fashioned ways of warm cordiality have a special meaning at Christmas. In this old-time spirit, we wish you holiday joy, ever-new, rich in the blessings of home, family, friends. Merry Christmas!

**DAWSON'S**

**TUFTS DISTRIBUTING CO., Inc.**  
TEXACO — FIRESTONE — A. C. PRODUCTS



## Merry Christmas



Accept our wishes warm and hearty. Hope Santa styles your Christmas right, fills every hour with beauty bright. Thank you, most sincerely, for your loyal good will.

### Peter's Coiffures

## Santa's White Beard, Red Suit Come from Cartoonist



"HELLO, LITTLE ONE" WAS TITLE FOR this famed drawing of Santa, by Thomas Nast from *Harper's Weekly*. Nast, a noted 19th century political cartoonist, was the first to illustrate Santa as a bearded, red-nosed jolly old man whose round figure was clothed in a fur-trimmed red suit, according to researchers for Hallmark.

Who gave Santa his red suit, broad girth, white beard, ruddy cheeks and nose, fur-trimmed hat and coat?

Surprisingly enough, the donor was a political cartoonist.

The artist's name was Thomas Nast, cartoonist for *Harper's Illustrated Weekly*, who also created the now-famous symbols of the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey.

The figure of Santa that Nast drew in 1863, and perhaps earlier, has proved to be the definitive one, and even today the figure as drawn by Nast appears occasionally on Christmas greetings.

"Nast's image of Santa was extraordinary," says Mrs. Jeannette Lee, director of design at Hallmark.

"He gave Santa many of the qualities that have endeared him to children ever since, and we wouldn't dream of tampering very much with them today."

Nast first credited Santa with keeping books on good and bad children, having a Christmas toy workshop and reading letters sent to him by children.

Perhaps it was the now-famous poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," by Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, that inspired Nast's illustration of Santa. In this children's classic of

1823, the right jolly old elf, who looked like a peddler with a pack on his back, was first described in print.

Nast followed Dr. Moore's description of Santa in several particulars, but many of his concepts were original.

At the time of Nast's Santa Claus drawings the nation was at Civil War, and families were separated. In a note to cheer both soldiers and their waiting families Nast drew "Santa Claus in Camp," for *Harper's Weekly*.

This earliest Santa was different from any artist's creations up till then. He was shown wearing stars and stripes of the Union and distributing gifts to soldiers. Actually, this Santa might have been meant as a representation of Uncle Sam also.

A later, equally moving Nast illustration featured a soldier's Christmas homecoming.

Born in 1840 in the tiny hamlet of Landau, Bavaria, Nast probably pictured Santa as the long-imagined Saint Nicholas of his childhood.

Albert Bigelow Paine, a friend and admirer of Nast, said the artist often revealed to him his love of the Santa illustrations. He later wrote in his biography of the cartoonist:

"His own childhood in far-off Bavaria has been measured by the yearly visits of . . . St. Nicholas . . . and the girlhood of the woman who was to become his wife (Sarah Edwards of New York) was intimately associated with brilliant and joyous celebrations.

"Nast's children later recalled there was always a multitude of paper dolls — marvelously big and elaborate, a race long since become extinct.

"And these the artistic father — more than half a child himself at the Christmas season — arranged in processions and cavalcades, gay pageants that marched in and about those larger presents that could not be crowded into the row of stockings that hung by the family fireplace.

"It was a time of splendor and rejoicing — the festive blossoming of the winter season — and it was a beautiful and sturdy family that made Merry Christmas riot in the spacious New York home."

In Nast's day, the idea of some sort of Santa was not new to this country. He was introduced to North America by the early Dutch settlers and his name was St. Nicholas. The annual visit of this kind man, who was thought to have been a fourth-century bishop, was his feast day, December 6th.

By 1809, Washington Irving was describing Santa as a small Dutch citizen who looked much like Father Knickerbocker. Irving wondered how the poor old man could get to all the homes in a growing America on his horse, so he invented the famous reindeer-drawn sleigh.

Something For Mom Christmas is not the time to give Mother a needed appliance, no matter how practical she may be. She would much prefer to receive something frivolous — something she wouldn't ordinarily buy for herself. It need not be expensive, like mink or diamonds. Some utterly extravagant perfume or a frilly housecoat would be nice.

## Holiday Fun Prompts Lively Party Ideas

Christmas gatherings just naturally turn into parties — friends and relatives drop in with holiday greetings, and all of a sudden it's a party!

Party games designed specially for the season can spur on the fun.

For groups large or small, parties planned or impromptu, the following entertaining ideas are suggested.

One way to "break the ice," especially when all of the guests are not well acquainted with each other, is to play a guessing game. A Christmas Personality game can be played by pinning a name such as "Rudolph," "Santa" or "Christmas Angel" on the backs of several guests. Then each tries to guess his name by hints others give.

Another way to start a party is to start the guests out thinking! Have a little contest and see who can spell the most words with the letters in "Christmas."

### Musical Candy Cane

A lively combination version of Musical Chairs and Hot Potato makes use of some unbreakable symbol of Christmas festivities — a small package, one of the sturdier tree ornaments, a big candy cane.

One person who is not playing puts on a Christmas record. Everyone sits in a close circle and passes the object around. When the music suddenly stops, the person who has the object in his hand is out. This continues until the circle is reduced to one — the winner!

### Pin the Star

Children never tire of exciting party games, while the adults may need a rest. One game that is loads of fun for kids to play and adults to watch is a seasonal version of "Pin the Tail on the Donkey." This one is "Pin the Star on the Christmas Tree."

It's easy to cut a large shape of a Christmas Tree out of green construction paper and tape it to a wall or door, making sure it is low enough for the littlest guest to reach the top.

Each child gets a paper star with tape on the back and takes his turn being blindfolded and spun around. The one who can place his star closest to the top of the tree wins.



## BRIGHT CHRISTMAS WISHES

Hope your holiday gleams with good cheer and is filled with happy times.

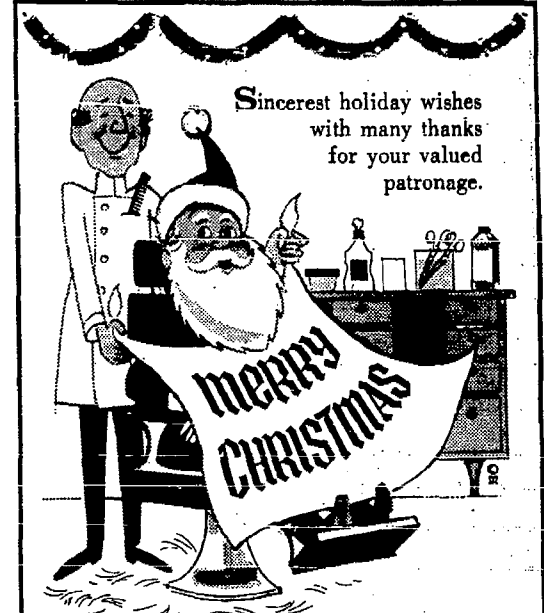
LENG'S GARAGE  
FREDERIC



## Merry Christmas

In the true and hearty spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas, we wish you the best, and thank you warmly.

### GRAYLING GULF



### McWilliams Barber Shop



Across the ages shines the wonder of a Holy Night. May the true meaning of Christmas make your holiday bright.

### Gilbert's Penguin Inn



Holiday joy is in the air, and we greet all our fine patrons with sincere best wishes for a wonderful season. Many thanks for your loyalty and trust.

## Art Clough

"REAL ESTATE"



In quiet serenity, let us reflect on the true message of Christmas. May your home and family be blessed with the spiritual joy and happiness that His birth taught us to cherish.

With our greetings goes our sincere appreciation.

**BILL HART FORD, Inc.,**  
Old US-27 North, Grayling



**Peace,  
Joy**

*May  
the Star  
that guided  
the Wise  
Men blaze  
a path of  
enrichment  
for you.*

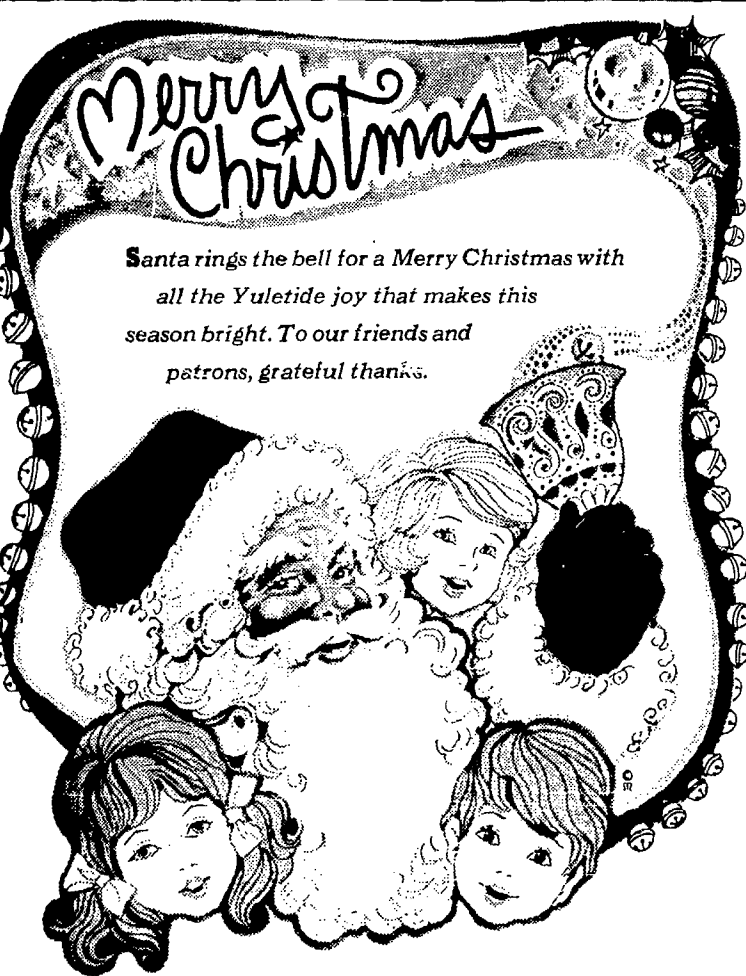
**Sorenson Funeral Home**



**Noel**


Joy to the world, it is the season of Christ's birth, rich in love and peace. We wish you a full share of holiday joy. Grateful thanks to all.

**Scrub Board Laundromat**  
104 Charles St.  
Robert Fay and Robert Mead, Owners



**Merry Christmas**

Santa rings the bell for a Merry Christmas with all the Yuletide joy that makes this season bright. To our friends and patrons, grateful thanks.

**Clair's**  **Service**

### Legend, Lore Of Holiday Takes Varied Forms

The belief that Santa has a reindeer-drawn sleigh and enters homes through the chimney may have come from Scandinavia. An old Norse legend about the goddess Hertha said that she rode on a reindeer's back. Her appearance in the fireplace in mid-winter was thought to bring good luck to the home.

"Silent Night, Holy Night" was written in 1818 by a village priest in Hallein, Austria. Father Joseph Mohr wrote the words, to an accompaniment created by his organist, Franz Gruber. Legend has it that the church organ was out of order — damaged by mice — and so "Silent Night" was first sung to a guitar accompaniment.

Who invented that popular holiday beverage, eggnog? It has been part of the festivities for so many years that nobody really knows its origin.

One possibility is that eggnog came from the Old English hot drink, sack-posset, which was also made of eggs, milk, nutmeg and sugar.

Among the earliest Christmas tree ornaments were some that resembled the sun, stars and moon, or animals. Using signs of nature as decorations can be traced back to the feasts of the winter equinox, when sun-worshipping pagans hung similar trinkets on trees.

"The cattle were lowing," says the carol, "Away in a Manger," and Nativity paintings often show the animals of the manger.

Appropriately, tradition says that cattle and other domestic animals should have a special feast on Christmas Eve. It's legendary, too, that cattle are given the power of speech for a few moments at this time.

Mistletoe, said to hold a license for kissing, was renowned in ancient times for many mystical powers. Because of its pagan associations, it was long forbidden in churches.

A German legend held that, if a sprig of mistletoe was carried into an old house, the ghosts of the house would appear and answer questions.

Dear Santa Claus: Letters to the North Pole come scrawled over everything from notebook paper to post cards to pages torn from coloring books. Many of them don't seem to have the same spirit that they used to. The letters are often just lists, with or without a "please". Letter writers often reverse the addresses and return addresses on their envelopes. A post-office must decide where "North Pole, Alaska" is or "Santa Claus, North Pole, USA."

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**We wish  
you Merry  
Christmas**

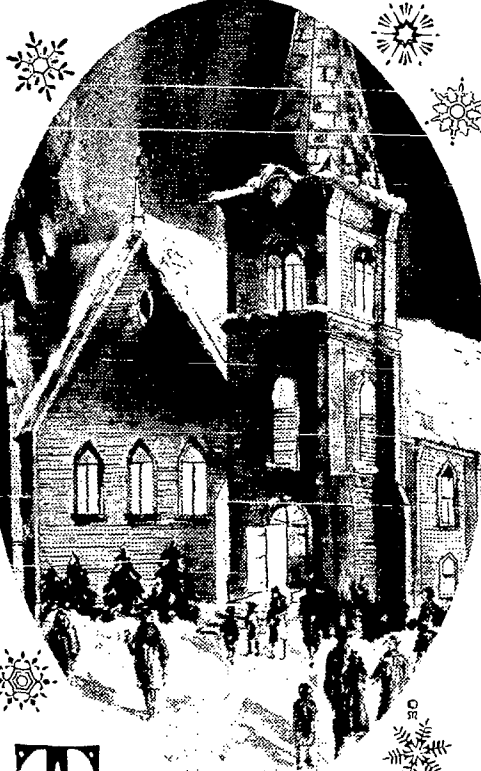
*Best wishes for a holiday season  
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**merry Christmas**

Throughout the land, the season spreads its warmth and happiness with our message of sincere gratitude.

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**THE  
SPIRIT of  
CHRISTMAS**

As you worship with your family at Christmas, may the true spirit of the season greatly bless you. Sincerely, we extend our greetings.

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### Wreaths Got Pagan Start

During this holiday season, a wide variety of colorful wreaths deck the doorways of homes in this community.

The use of wreaths at holiday time stems from the customs of Advent season — the four Sundays before Christmas. Traditionally, Advent wreaths are made of evergreens, trimmed with ribbons, and hold four candles to be lit during the Sundays of Advent.

The wreath, which has no beginning or end, represents eternity, and the evergreens symbolize growth and life, according to the editors of the New Book of Knowledge.

Like many other Christian holiday customs, the Advent wreath originated in pagan ceremonies.

During the dark days of the winter solstice, the sun-worshippers of northern Europe sought to please their absent god, the sun, and persuade him to return, by using a wheel trimmed with greenery.

The wreath was made of an actual wheel, taken from a cart and wrapped in greens. Lights, too, were added.

### Decorating with Cards Can Be Yule Project

When children need a change from the toys on Christmas day, a promising project could be to let them see what they can do with the family greeting cards.

Here are some suggestions from Jeannette Lee, art director for Hallmark.

Tape or staple cards to lengths of ribbon and hang them on walls or doors.

Make a Christmas wreath by attaching cards to a circle of cardboard.

"Frame" cards with construction paper.

Decorate a screen with cards.

**Christmas Pilgrims**  
Bethlehem glitters for Christmas. The buses stream to Manger Square, unloading devout visitors from all parts of the world. They stoop through the low doors and cling to the narrow stairways leading to the Grotto. A star marks the place where Jesus was born.

The jet age permits more pilgrims than ever to visit the Holy Land, but most miss the many opportunities the Holy Land offers to lend extra meaning to Christ's incarnation. The jet-paced itinerary hardly permits the visitors to experience the Holy Land in all of its absorbing fascination. The usual pilgrim hardly ever enters the ordinary home in Bethlehem. Pilgrims live in hotels and visit countless churches and museums, but seldom a real lived-in house.

Just out of sight behind the souvenir shops is an infant care center. Far off the track of tourists is an impoverished village. Hardly noticed by visitors is a dim little chapel that could make the straying art lover gasp.

Christmas Pilgrims will again throng to Bethlehem, but most will miss the many opportunities the Holy Land affords to lend extra meaning to Christ's incarnation.



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**GREETINGS**

As the Christmas spirit abounds through our community, we send our warmest greetings to all for a happy holiday. Sincere thanks for your generous consideration.

**SPIKE'S KEG O' NAILS**  
Lon and Marg Qualls

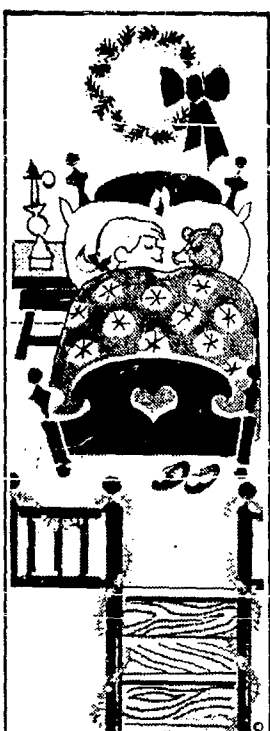


**GREETINGS**

Christmas has arrived! A time for gaily-wrapped goodies, yes, but also the time to count our each and every blessing... and to say thanks to our valued customers. We greatly appreciate your generous consideration. May your holidays be happy.

**Sorenson Agency and Associates, Inc.**





**Greetings FOR CHRISTMAS**

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**Happy Holidays**

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**Miller-Parmer Vows Spoken**

A recent double ring candle-light ceremony united in marriage Deborah Miller, daughter of Virginia Laurent of Grayling and Robert Miller of Swartz Creek, to Elmore Parmer, son of Mrs. Nellie VanNatta of Gaylord. The wedding vows were read in the United Methodist Church by Rev. Alfred C. Fennell.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride approached the altar, graced with bouquets of yellow and brown daisies, wearing a satin gown trimmed with small clusters of seed pearls. The chapel length train was fastened at the waistline with a flat bow. She carried white carnations and red roses.

Mrs. Connie Card, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor, and attired in an empire styled gown of lime green with dark green lace trim on the bodice. She carried yellow and orange daisies. Mrs. James Robert, bridesmaid, wore an empire style gown of orange with brown lace trim and carried yellow and orange daisies.

Samuel Parmer was his brother's best man, with Robert Miller, brother of the bride, as groomsmen. Ushers were Thomas Eldridge, Ken Powers, and Jerry Watkins of Grayling.

The brides mother chose a fuchsia dress with a pale pink carnation corsage, while the groom's mother wore pink, with a yellow carnation corsage.

The reception followed at the VFW Hall. The couple are residing in Gaylord.

The new Mrs. Parmer graduated from Grayling High in 1968 and attended Flint Community Junior College. Mr. Parmer is a graduate of Gaylord High School and is employed at the U.S. Plywood Corporation.

**Grayling Couple Sponsors American Indian Girl**

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Nielson, Grayling, are sponsoring Nick Leigh, a 5 year old American Indian girl of the Cherokee Tribe, through Save the Children Federation, international child welfare organization of Norwalk, Conn., it was announced today by Dallas Johnson, Director of the organization's American Indian program. The sponsorship will help provide funds for the clothing, school supplies, personal books and spending money which will enable the child to take part in school activities. The average Indian youngster leaves school before the eighth grade, often for lack of these bare essentials.

The Federation is registered with the U.S. State Department Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid and is a member of the International Union for Child Welfare, and the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, Inc. All contributions are income tax deductible.

An individual, school or group interested in sponsoring a child should contact Save the Children Federation, Post Road, Norwalk, Conn. 06852.

**Letters To The Editor**

Frederic, Michigan December 21, 1970

Letter to the Editor  
Dear Sir and People  
Who It May Concern:  
I am very much interested in sports and I am a Crawford County taxpayer, but I am wondering why it's always wrote up that Grayling wins the ball games when I thought all the time that it is known as Crawford AuSable Schools. It sounds to me that Frederic Children aren't being shown any credit. Of course I know there are some Frederic boys not on the first team, but there are some playing on the second team.

I also notice when some one from Frederic does something wrong they sure have it headed Frederic. Just like when that woman from down below shot that man at her cabin west of Frederic, it was headed Frederic and she isn't even from here.

Just a Concerned Taxpayer

**Hurry Up It's Time**

A new year. Time for your medical checkup. Now

But for too many Americans, getting that checkup is no simple matter. There are just not enough doctors, for one thing. The Nixon Administration has warned that we are on the verge of a "massive crisis" in health care.

Every major city has its statistics about the ghetto in which the ratio is one doctor to a population of 20,000 or 30,000. Many poor rural areas are just as bad off.


A recent survey of 1,500 cities and towns in the Midwest showed that 1,000 of them had no doctor at all; and 200 of these places had only one doctor. There are only 203,000 physicians treating patients; and there are more than 200 million Americans. That figures out to one doctor for every 1,000 people. Theoretically.

More and more Americans have come to insist that health care is a right due every citizen. And they demand that right be met. Revamping the delivery of health care — so that everyone who needs it gets it — is a burning public issue.

Having a doctor and getting an annual medical checkup is an important part of that right. It can help prevent the development of disease — such as tuberculosis and other lung infections — before they really get started. Taking pills called isoniazid, for example, can stop tuberculous infections from blossoming into active disease.

To get an annual medical checkup, see your doctor. To find out more about infections and disease of the lungs, check with the Michigan Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, 403 Seymour Ave., Lansing 48914. Health care is your right.

**Engagement Announced**



Miss Gloria Gelieneau and Mr. Frank Morse, both of Grayling, are pleased to announce their engagement. A January wedding is planned.

**Special Christmas Program At St. Francis Dec. 20**

Episcopal Church School children sang Christmas carols at a special service Sunday evening, Dec. 20. They were grouped at the front of the church. Adults joined in singing part of the time. The service was conducted by the Rev. John G. Carlton.

Afterwards, the children had a Christmas party in the parish house and sang Christmas songs both alone and with adults. Refreshments were served and the children received Yuletide presents.

The young singers were rehearsed and other party arrangements were handled by Mrs. Howard McKinley.

**9 Crawford County Avalanche**  
Thursday, December 24, 1970

**Engagement Announced**

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## Jolly Gals Hobby Club

The Jolly Gals hobby club held their annual Christmas party in the form of a dinner at the Chalet in Gaylord. After dinner the group met at the home of Dee Balch for their gift exchange and social evening.

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## Legal Notice

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**Probate Court for the**  
**County of Crawford**  
Estate of Fred G. Schneider Deceased.  
It is Ordered that on Monday, January 4, 1971, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Grayling, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of David R. Sabin, to admit to Probate an instrument dated March 28, 1966, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said deceased, to obtain appointment of David R. Sabin as Administrator of said estate.  
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.  
Dated: December 9, 1970  
/s/ Emil L. Kraus  
Judge of Probate  
David R. Sabin  
Attorney for Estate  
203 Huron Street, Suite B  
Grayling, Michigan 17-24-31

## Road Commissioners' Minutes

December 4, 1970

A regular meeting of the Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners held in their office in Grayling, Michigan, on Monday, December 4, 1970. Members present: Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Harold T. Johnson, R. E. Shook and Wilbert E. Simpson, Engineer-Manager Keir and Superintendent Norman H. Feldhauser. Absent, none.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read. A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, supported by Comm. Shook that the minutes be approved as read. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Voucher No. 1329 covering Payroll No. 25 and Vouchers No. 1330 to 1346 covering materials were presented for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Shook, supported by Comm. Johnson that Vouchers No. 1329 to 1346 be approved and warrants drawn in their respective amounts. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Payroll #25 13,585.82  
Automotive Parts & Sup. 502.15  
Curtis Industries, Inc. 93.33  
Hyde Equipment Sales 542.90  
Joe LaLonde 19.55  
Jack Millikin 1,168.75  
Postmaster 30.00  
Short Freight Lines, Inc. 16.44  
Vacationland Conference 5.00  
Crawford Co. Avalanche 69.00  
Clark Company 3,931.69  
Grayling Ins. Agency 224.33  
Jansen Plumbing Serv. 8.45  
Motorola, Inc. 152.50  
Osceola Refining Co. 1,046.27  
Standard Oil 1,250.37  
Union Office Supply 182.90

A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, supported by Comm. Shook that the bids received for Insurance and Gasoline, Diesel Oils and Furnace Oils be opened. All voted in favor, motion carried. Results of Insurance bids as follows:

The Grayling Insurance Agency: Workmens Compensation, Net, 7242.13; Comprehensive Commercial Liability, 5122.84; Inland Marine, 860.00.  
The bid was approved and accepted. Results of Gasoline, etc., bids as follows:

The tentative plat of "Manistee-Talbot Pines", a part of Secs. 29 & 30, T27N, R4W, Frederic Township, was presented for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, supported by Comm. Shook that the tentative plat of "Manistee-Talbot Pines" be approved subject to easement to Goose Creek Road. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The tentative plat plan of "River Oaks" a part of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 29, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, was inspected by the Commissioners. Motion was made by Comm. Shook, supported by Comm. Johnson, that the plat of "River Oaks" be approved. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The Commissioners reviewed estimates for road improvements in South Branch, Frederic and Maple Forest Townships as requested by those townships. The Commissioners also held a preliminary review of all certified roads in the county. There being no further business a motion was made and supported to adjourn. All voted in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

/s/ Harold T. Johnson, Chrm.  
/s/ Florence S. Douglas, Sec'y

## LEGAL NOTICES

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**Probate Court for the**  
**County of Crawford**  
Estate of Liland J. Smock, Deceased.  
It is Ordered that on Monday, January 4, 1971, at 10:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Grayling, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Jessie M. Smock to admit to probate an instrument dated July 29, 1957, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said deceased, to obtain appointment of Jessie M. Smock as Executrix of said estate, and to determine the heirs at law of said decedent.  
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.  
Dated: December 9, 1970.  
/s/ Emil L. Kraus  
Judge of Probate  
Bruce B. Benson &  
David R. Sabin  
Attorneys for Estate  
203 Huron Street, Suite B  
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## Grayling Twp. Board Minutes

December 8, 1970

Members Present: B. J. Fowler, Evelyn Gardiner, Earl Mathewson, Clare Madsen, Jr., Linda Moshier, Deputy Clerk.  
Members Absent: R. M. Hayes  
Others Present: M. E. Harland  
Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Supervisor Fowler.  
Motion by Mathewson, supported

General Telephone Service \$25.63  
Post Office Co. 17.24  
Avalanche Hall Heat 39.99  
Star Office Supply Notices 43.93  
Commercial Equip. Co. Office Supplies 1.47  
Cornell Agency, Inc. Liability Premium 113.00  
Lacey Stephan Constable Fee & Mile. 37.00  
Karl Durga Dump Maintenance 68.00  
Everett Beattie Zoning Meeting 15.00  
Batch Anderson Zoning Meeting 15.00  
M. E. Harland Zoning Meeting 15.00  
Lewis Johnson Zoning Meeting 15.00  
Wm. Sorenson November Mileage 39.60  
B. J. Fowler Reimburse Petty Cash 23.36  
B. J. Fowler Street Lighting 217.54  
Consumers Power Co. I.R.S. Withholding Tax 115.50  
Grayling State Bank Share of Trailer Tax 112.00  
Crawford-Ausable Schools Share of Trailer Tax 28.00  
County of Crawford Election Supplies 26.38  
Doubleday Bros. & Co.

Building and septic permit fees amounting to \$308 were turned over to the Treasurer.  
Supervisor Fowler notified the Board that 1955 legislation allows townships to hold elections within a city which was at one time part of that township. Under this legislation Grayling Township will be able to hold future elections in the high school.

Discussion was held regarding the construction of a maintenance building for the North Down River Dump. It was decided that Supervisor Fowler would check into this matter.

Discussion was held on Margaret Manor No. 3. A letter was received from the D.N.R. in regard to this plat. No action taken at this time.  
After discussion Madsen motioned that the D.N.R. be informed

## Council Proceedings

Regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, December 14, 1970 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Derek McEvers at 7:30 p.m.  
Councilmen present: McEvers, Thompson, Forbes, Bovee.  
Councilmen absent: Golinick.  
Also in attendance: Nelson A. Miles, City Attorney.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Forbes to approve the minutes of November 30th. Yeas: Thompson, Forbes, McEvers. Nays: None. Absent: Bovee, Golinick. The motion carried.

Mrs. Peter and Tony Latusek appeared before the Council requesting Council approval for snowmobiles to cross Cedar at Ottawa for service.

Police Chief Harold Hatfield was present and suggested that there be consideration for making one-way Southbound from Cedar to Maple and Ogling Ottawa one-way Northeast Maple to Cedar.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Forbes to designate Ottawa from Cedar St. to Maple (North-easterly) a one-way street and to designate Ogling from Maple to Cedar (Southwesterly) a one-way street to be effective upon installation of appropriate signs. Yeas all, the motion carried.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Forbes to adopt Ordinance #70-2B as follows:  
An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #70-2 (Snowmobile Ordinance) as Amended by Ordinance #70-2A.

The City of Grayling Ordains: Section 1.  
Paragraph (2) of Section 4 of Ordinance #70-2, as amended by Ordinance #70-2A is hereby amended to read as follows and paragraph (3), a new paragraph is added:

(2) No snowmobile may be operated on or cross Michigan Avenue from Norway to the County Road, except to cross Michigan at Plum Street and at the County Road.  
No snowmobile may be operated on or cross James Street.  
No snowmobile may be operated on or cross Cedar Street; provided however, that crossing of Cedar at Ottawa for service, after stopping and when traffic is clear, is permitted.  
Crossing of streets at railroad track intersections is permissible.

(3) The City Council is hereby and hereafter authorized by resolution to create, revise, rescind, restrict, modify or alter any snowmobile route within the City Limits provided such resolution shall not take effect until published.

Section 2. Effective Date.  
This Ordinance shall take effect on December 16, 1970.  
Yeas all, the motion carried.

Invoices #4212 - \$1023.73 and #4213 - \$440.43 from Scott Engineering for street and bridge services were presented. Moved by Thompson, supported by Bovee to authorize the City Manager review and approve payment. Yeas all, the motion carried.

Enrolled House Bill #3975 (Annexation) and possible annexations to the City of Sections 8, 17, and 18 Grayling Township were discussed.

Notice is hereby given that on April 14, 1971 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the front door of the courthouse in the City of Grayling, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described as follows, to-wit:

The following described land situated in the township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, viz:  
All that part of the East One-half (E 1/2) of East One-half (E 1/2) of East One-half (E 1/2) of the Southwest One-Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast One-Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 16, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, lying on the North Side of Highway M-72, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Mich.

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale.  
Dated: December 11, 1970.  
THE GRAYLING STATE BANK  
By John H. Alef, President  
Mortgage  
Emil L. Kraus  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
228 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
348-9123 I. Mar. 13

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## Crossword Puzzle

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**Down**  
1. Cheer up  
2. Supped  
3. Back and West  
4. Police search (sl.)  
5. Liturgical season  
6. Affirmative  
7. Congress site (2 wds.)  
9. Company stationary  
10. Item of furniture  
12. Digit  
15. — of sorts  
19. Bolivian title  
21. Cowboy's nickname  
22. Note of indebtedness  
24. Reddish brown  
25. Stadium repeat  
27. French novelist  
29. — mundi  
30. Nevertheless  
31. Garden product (pl.)  
32. Paul's disciple  
34. Battle name  
37. Tennis term  
39. One, in Milan

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
December 15, 1970  
A Special Meeting of the Grayling City Council was held at the City Hall on December 15, 1970.  
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Derek McEvers at 8:00 p.m.  
Councilmen present: McEvers, Thompson, Forbes.  
Councilmen absent: Bovee, Golinick.  
Mayor McEvers called for bids on Sewage Treatment Facility and Modifications.  
Mr. William Richards, Consulting Engineer of Richards, Flindorf & Richards opened the bids as follows:  
Gary D. Steadman, Bay City, \$224,318.75 (force main only).  
Schworm Inc., Traverse City, Base Bid, \$368,781.50.  
Akron Contracting, Belleville, Base Bid, \$358,388.00.  
D & L Contracting, Traverse City & T. A. Forsberg, Lansing, Joint Venture, Base Bid, \$335,999.75.

Mr. Richards pointed out that all bids were within the Engineers estimate of \$383,000.00.  
Moved by Thompson, supported by Forbes that the bids be referred to the Consulting Engineer and City Manager for tabulation and recommendation. Yeas all, the motion carried.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Forbes to adjourn. Yeas all, the motion carried.  
The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.  
Derek McEvers  
Mayor  
William Valusek  
City Manager and Clerk

## LEGAL NOTICE

**FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE**  
Default having been made in the condition of a certain mortgage made the 27th day of October, 1967 by DOROTHY FARRELL as mortgagor, to the GRAYLING STATE BANK, a Michigan Corporation of Grayling, Michigan, as mortgagee, and recorded on February 7, 1968 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 91 at Page 519; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice, Three Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Two and 89/100 (3,582.89) including interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale in said mortgage contained having become operative of such default.

Notice is hereby given that on April 14, 1971 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the front door of the courthouse in the City of Grayling, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described as follows, to-wit:

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**Puzzle No. 2057**

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**Christmas**  
**Greetings**

May your Christmas glisten, and gleam and glow with seasonal joy. Thanks for letting us serve you.

## Greetings and Thanks

for your part in making 1970 such a good year. Hope you will enjoy a prosperous New Year.

**Davis Jewelry**

## The Old Timer



"It's not those who lie awake nights that succeed, but those who stay awake days."



**GREETINGS**

May the peaceful spirit of the Christmas Season fill our hearts with brotherhood and good will. It gives us deep pleasure to extend fondest wishes for Happy Holidays to all!

**GRAYLING RADIO**  
**WGRY - 1590**



# NOEL

As carolers sing Yule songs, we join in with wishes for a most happy holiday.



## DOWNRIVER PINES

Al and Bertha Johnson

## Bulletin Answers Home Sewage Disposal Questions

By Willard Besorman  
County Extension Director

People thinking of putting in a new septic tank or replacing an old one can get practical information about doing so from a Michigan State University bulletin.

Extension bulletin 577 looks at requirements and limitations of home sewage disposal systems.

One thing it emphasizes is checking local ordinances before installing. If it is for a new home it is important that the septic tank and well be located before starting to build the house. Too often a house is built before the owner seeks a septic tank permit only to find that there is no room to get proper isolation between septic tank and well. The owner looks kind of foolish with a \$30,000 home but cannot use it because there is no room for a sewage system. This may sound a little far fetched, but it happened. Either the owner is unaware of local health requirements or is gambling that the sanitarian will have mercy on him and allow him to put a disposal field nearer a neighbor's well than the law allows. This is not fair to the neighbor nor to others who like a clean environment.

The bulletin will help the home owner become familiar with how a septic tank works and how much area is needed to function properly. Most home owners have reliable licensed installers put the system in for them. But, it is up to the home owner to comply with Health Laws and zoning ordinances.

The publication was produced jointly by the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service and Michigan Department of Health. It can be obtained free of charge at the local County Extension office, in the County Building.

## DNR's Game Div. Renamed

LANSING — Michigan's Department of Natural Resources has renamed its Game Division as the Wildlife Division to give that unit a title more in keeping with its full, broadening scope of responsibilities.

In announcing the name change, DNR Director Ralph A. MacMullan explained:

"Over the years the scope of the programs and responsibilities of the Game Division have grown far beyond the management of wildlife for hunting purposes only."

Re-titling of the Division to reflect its expanded outlook and duties was recommended from a recent study of the DNR which the Wildlife Management Institute conducted.

## MICHIGAN MIRROR

By Elmer E. White

### Detection System Started

The most treacherous part of a driver's experience in the winter can come when he is driving across bridges.

Bridges are suspended in the air, and cold winds can blow both above and below them. This cools bridge surface much faster than road surfaces. They can be like glass while the rest of the road is still quite safe.

If temperature and humidity conditions are right, the bridge surface will become slick, even though adjacent highways are clear and dry.

In an attempt to counter the dangers posed by such bridges, the state highway department started experimenting with an ice detection system for bridges.

The first ice detection system is now installed on the Interstate 75 Rouge River Bridge in Detroit.

It consists of 18 sensors imbedded in the concrete bridge deck. The sensors will pick up and transmit temperature, humidity and deck condition information to the Wayne County Road Commission's highway maintenance garage to give advance warning of icing.

This will allow road crews to get an earlier jump on icing conditions and hopefully keep the bridge safe.

The project is costing \$30,000, with 90 per cent of the money coming from federal government.

### Brevity Pays

Lawyers have a well deserved reputation for being wordy when they talk or write, and judges are traditionally expected to write long, windy explanations of their judicial decisions.

Thus, an opinion handed down by the Court of Appeals recently comes as something of a breath of fresh air.

The opinion was written by Judge J. H. Gillis and involved a workmen's compensation case.

Wrote Gillis: "The appellant has attempted to distinguish the factual situation in this case from that in another case."

"He didn't. We couldn't." End of opinion.

### Voters Say No

Michigan legislators can be glad the pay raises they are scheduled to receive will not be submitted to voters for approval if results from the rest of the nation on election-day reflect the sentiment here.

Eight states held elections on proposals to increase legislative pay or establish a commission similar to the one which awarded the legislators \$2,000 pay increases in November.

In five of those states the proposals were defeated. And none of the proposals involving straight pay hikes was passed.

At the same time, voters decided to get more work out of their legislators. In six states annual legislative sessions were adopted by voters. This brought to 37 the number of states which will have their legislatures meeting every year.

11 Crawford County Avalanche  
Thursday, December 24, 1970

**R.L.D.S. Church News**  
On December 3rd, the R.L.D.S. Women's Dept. met at the home of Lorna LaMotte for their annual Christmas party. They also had a lesson on wrapping gifts.

On December 15, the R.L.D.S. Zionists met at the John Petersons to make cookies and popcorn for the Church Christmas program.

The Christmas program was held at the Church on December 18th at 7:30. Old fashioned poems, carols and tableaux of Christmas story was presented. Refreshments were served afterwards.

## Greetings

It's the season of fun and laughter. We wish your family the best the Yuletide can offer. Merry Christmas.

### WERT'S LONE PINE INN

## CHRIST is BORN

May the Star that blazed in the heavens on the night of His birth shine upon you and yours, bringing much Christmas joy.

## BEAR ARCHERY

Division of Victor Comptometer Corp.

## OLD-TIME GREETINGS

The wonderful old traditions call for people to gather together, to meet with their near and dear. As you and yours celebrate Christmas, we wish for you the true delights of the season.

## MAC'S DRUG STORE

## Merry Christmas

The delightful holiday season is here! May you enjoy every moment with family and friends in true contentment.

### GRAYLING Electric and Heating

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Because happy homes are our business, we cheerfully extend happy holiday wishes to everyone at your house. Thanks for everything.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL!

Deck the halls with Christmas Greetings for all. Good wishes for a very Merry Season.



**Frederic Inn**

## Deck House And Boughs With Safety

With the time for putting up Christmas decorations at hand, several suggestions are offered in the interest of safety. A great peril is to overload electrical circuits. It may not be heavy enough to blow a fuse but could cause the wire to overheat and melt insulation. Strings of lights and extension cords that have been stored could have deteriorated and should be thoroughly checked. Further Cautions: Don't work on strings that are plugged in. Don't stretch light strings or extension wiring. Don't place flammable material near floodlights. Keep electrical fixtures out of the reach of children. Don't use string lights on a metallic tree.

## Hot Bunwiches Are A Great Idea

2 cups coarsely diced, cooked turkey  
1/2 cup diced celery  
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion  
1/2 cup diced cheddar cheese  
2 hard cooked eggs, chopped  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1/4 teaspoon paprika  
salt & pepper to taste butter or margarine hamburger buns

Combine turkey, celery, onion, cheese and eggs. Moisten with mayonnaise and season with paprika, salt and pepper. Spread generously between buttered halves of buns. Wrap each sandwich in foil. Heat at 375 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes. Delicious — simple, and a good way to use left over turkey.

## SUNDAY'S SERMON

### CHRISTMAS

Christmas, 1970, does not come to a world that is perfect. Many nations are at odds. There are wars and rumors of war. And cold wars. There is poverty, even in the richest land on this earth.

But, this is the day we have set aside to recognize that momentous event that took place in Bethlehem centuries ago. This is the hour when men pause, when combatants often call for a momentary pause . . . when, in essence, many of the affairs of the world are set aside for a few precious hours. Christmas, indeed, is such a universal holiday that it somehow touches the lives of everyone, even unbelievers.

Christmas day is not a perfect day. Do not expect it to be. But, give it a chance to touch you. Take a closer look at your world on this Christmas Day. Take a look into your own heart. You may find some singular experience that will lead toward a better tomorrow.

## THE Christmas Tree...



(author unknown)  
You come from a land where the snow lies deep  
In forest grand, on mountain steep;  
Where the days are short, and the nights are long,  
And never a skylark sings his song.  
Have you seen the wild deer in his mountain home  
And watched the descent of the brown pine cone?  
Do you miss your mates in the land of snow  
Where none but the evergreen branches grow?  
Dear tree, we will dress you in robes so bright,  
That ne'er could be a prettier sight;  
In glittering balls and tinkled bells,  
And the star which the story of Christmas tells.  
On every branch we will place a light  
That will send its gleam through the starry night,  
And the little children will gather there,  
And carol their songs in voices fair;  
A lovely sight you will always be . . .  
You beautiful, beautiful Christmas tree.

## Scholars Study Source of Star Shining in East

"There shall come forth a Star" — Numbers 24:17.

In this Old Testament prophecy by Balaam, was a real star meant, or does "Star" refer to a great person?

For centuries, Biblical scholars have considered this question. Many believe that the prophecy led the wise men to watch for and follow the "star in the east," of which St. Matthew wrote in his story of the Nativity.

The star itself is the source of many theories. Perhaps the best of all is that it was a miraculous appearance and as such needs no explanation.

However, astronomers through the ages have sought to connect the star seen by the wise men with other reported celestial objects — a comet, perhaps, or an especially brilliant star that only appears at long intervals.

Still another theory suggests that the star may have been a configuration or grouping of planets. In 1604, the German astronomer Johannes Kepler theorized that Jupiter, Saturn and Mars might have occurred in such a configuration at about the time of Christ's birth.

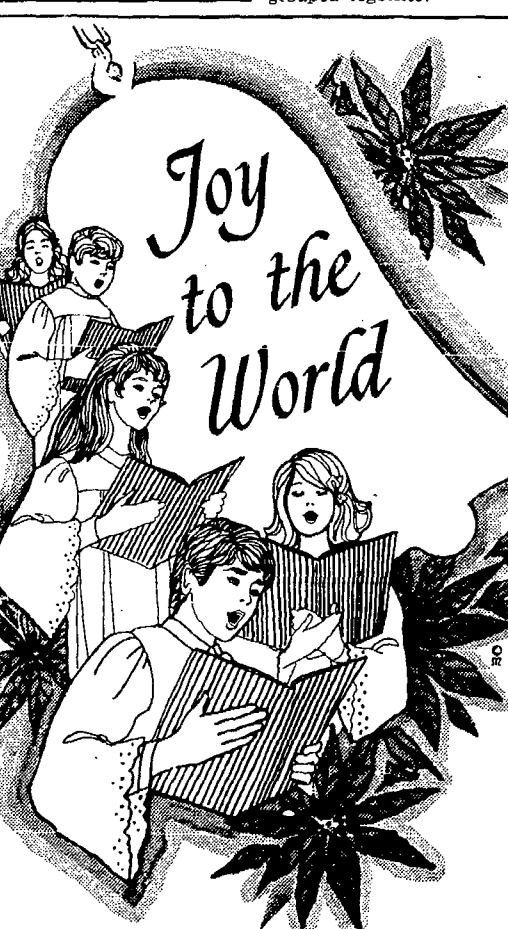
The fact that the star and the visit of the wise men were described only by St. Matthew has led to still another question. Did only the wise men see the star?

That they were so privileged is sometimes explained by the legend that the wise men were astrologers whose special interest helped them to notice the unusual brilliance of the three planets grouped together.

## GREETINGS at Christmas

We're wishing you all the pleasures of an old-fashioned Yule, complete with long-lasting peace and joy.

**Mildred Chew**  
REAL ESTATE



May joy fill your heart and enrich your life this Christmas Season. We extend our warm thanks to you.

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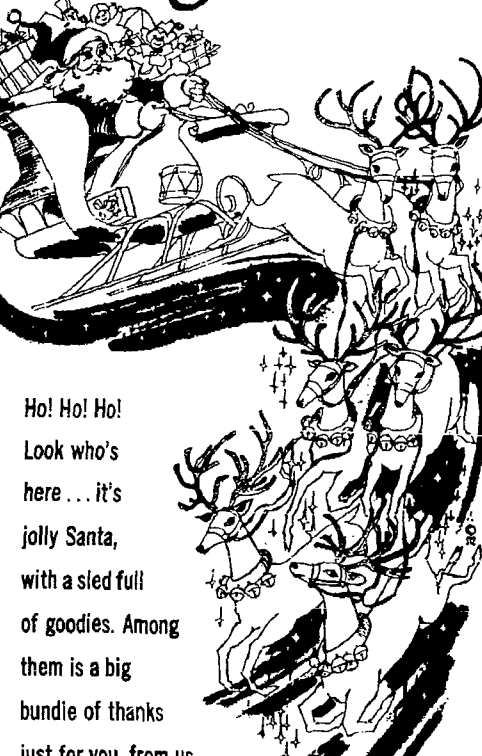
## CHRISTMAS JOY

May the joy and peace of this holiday season be with you.



**GRAYLING REEL CO., Inc.**

## Merry Christmas



Ho! Ho! Ho!

Look who's here . . . it's jolly Santa, with a sled full of goodies. Among them is a big bundle of thanks just for you, from us.

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REGISTER OF DEEDS

**CLARIBELL GOSS**  
COUNTY TREASURER

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SHERIFF

**BRUCE B. BENSON**  
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

**EMIL L. KRAUS**  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

**FRANCIS L. WALSH**  
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO ALWAYS PLACE OUR CUSTOMERS' BEST INTERESTS FOREMOST IN OUR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND INTEREST IN OUR STORE AND OUR COMMUNITY.

DURING THE COMING YEAR, LET US ALL PLACE OUR BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS SECOND ONLY TO THE NEEDS OF OUR OWN CONSCIENCES.

WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A MOST MERRY HOLIDAY SEASON AND CONTINUED PROSPERITY IN YOUR EACH AND EVERY ENDEAVOR...

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To old friends and new go our wishes for a wonderful Christmas season.

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**Christmas Peace**  
We're wishing everyone a mountain of Christmas cheer.  
Many thanks for letting us serve you.

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CLARENCE GROSS, OWNER



**Greetings**  
Here's to a very Merry Christmas full of peace and happiness.

**HOERL'S Decorating Shop**

Christmas Is A Special Time For All Good Men

Christmas is a special time in the hearts of men, a time when memories of good things past, thankfulness for today's bounty and hopes for the future transcend differences. The Manger scene with the Christ Child and Wise Men reminds us of the first Christmas and what that means to us.

We celebrate the birth of Christ and his gift to the world by giving to each other, by caring our own good wishes along with bright packages. We celebrate by sharing our wealth of good things in family gatherings and by showering special attention and love on our children. The celebration of Christmas comes in such a variety of wonderful sounds and fragrances and feelings. Keep the beauty and wonder of Christmas fresh and alive.

One Man's View Tells What Christmas Is About

And in despair I bowed my head;  
"There is no peace on earth,"  
I said,  
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men."  
Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,  
With peace on earth, good will to men."  
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

**Tasty-Topic**

**Baked Broccoli Amandine**  
1 bunch broccoli (about 2 pounds)  
1 can (10 3/4 oz.) condensed Cheddar cheese soup  
1/4 cup milk  
Dash nutmeg  
2 tablespoons buttered bread crumbs  
2 tablespoons slivered almonds  
Cook and drain broccoli. Place in 1 1/2-quart shallow baking dish. Stir soup; blend in milk, nutmeg; pour over broccoli. Top with crumbs and almonds. Bake at 350°F. for 20 minutes. Serves 4 to 6.

**SEW WHAT?**  
THIS WEEK'S PATTERN'S BY AUDREY LANE




In Two Size Ranges

What are they wearing this fall? The big thing is the pant suit. No. 3387 comes in sizes 10 to 18. Size 12 (bust 34) takes 3 1/2 yards of 54-inch fabric. No. 3336, same pant suit in sizes 12 1/2 to 22 1/2 (bust 37) takes 3 1/2 yards of 54-inch fabric.  
Free pattern is waiting for you. Send 50 cents for our new Fall-Winter Pattern Book, which contains coupon for pattern of your choice.



EASY DRESSMAKING

Brighten up your kitchen by embroidering these designs on your towels or place mats. Pattern No. 599 gives the directions.  
Send 50¢ for each dress pattern, 20¢ for each dress pattern, 10¢ for each needlework pattern for quilting and handiwork to AUDREY LANE BUREAU, Morris Plains, New Jersey 07950.



**Christmas Greetings**  
"On earth peace, good will toward men." Our best wishes to you at Christmas.

**CHARLES MOSHIER**  
PONTIAC SALES AND SERVICE



**Christmas Blessings**  
Let the heart of every man be filled with the peace of the Christmas season. Have a happy day.

**SAM GUST'S**  
**Automotive Parts & Supply**



Warm and sincere greetings to you and your loved ones for the bright holiday season.

**Save-Way Laundry & Dry Cleaning**



**Greetings**  
The spirit of Christmas is in the air, ringing out joy and good will. We take this time to extend to all greetings and thanks.

**Jack Millikin Construction**

**Iconography? It's Part Of Today**

The ancient Byzantine art of iconography is a contemporary art, too, and very much a part of today.

So declares John Papaspiropoulos, leading iconographer and owner-creator of the Byzantine Icons Studio, New York.

He points out that the turn of the century Art Nouveau technique, which has influenced much contemporary art, is related to Byzantine religious art. A non-realistic use of color and flattening of perspective are typical.

As an iconographer, Mr. Papaspiropoulos leads the development of a "Byzantine art of the 20th century."

Assisted by the artists of his studio, he has decorated some 30 churches in the United States. In his native Greece, he has decorated 19 Athens churches.

Like Byzantine artists of centuries past, Mr. Papaspiropoulos works with traditionally authentic egg tempera. He makes his own tempera from egg, vinegar and ammonia. To this emulsion, coloring agents are added.

He makes extensive use of gold leaf, another traditional element in Byzantine art. His work shows his own personal touch but always follows the pure Byzantine style.

**Christmas Tree**

A Christmas Tree game that everyone can play is a guessing game. In "Christmas Tree" the person who is "it" leaves the room while the other players decide on a secret word. It must be a verb, or a word showing action, such as run, eat or swim.

When "it" comes back, he tries to guess the word by asking questions using "Christmas Tree" in place of the word. He may ask, "Do children Christmas Tree?"



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**BEN FRANKLIN**



With best wishes for a happy, holy holiday, we send greetings and gratitude to you. May the blessings of Christmas ever be yours.

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### My Neighbors



"For Heaven's sake mother-of course I'm giving you the best possible price."

"If It Fitz . . ."

## Humbug under lights

By Jim Fitzgerald

My Bah, Humbug image has been severely damaged this year by a hippie-haired 14-year-old girl who thinks Christmas is something held every year for the benefit of Detroit Edison stockholders.

The outside of our house is lit up like Double Gold Stamp Night in Bethlehem. This girl Chrissie who somehow is my daughter has hung bulbs all over the house and on every bush and tree. The mailman paused to ponder on our porch and she clipped a star to his nose.

"To Each His Own." That's what I always say. Olivia DeHaviland starred in the movie and the Ink Spots had the hit record. If you are old-enough to remember that, you may remember when it was sufficient onto Christmas to nail a wreath on your door and paste Santa in your window.

Those were the Good Old Days when one bulb out meant

all bulbs out. No sane man would string lights all over the outside of his home because he didn't want to spend the holiday season freezing his hands, screwing and unscrewing bulbs, trying to find the bad one. But then some clown invented individual lights. And suddenly, every Christmas, neighbors began wishing each other Peace on Earth by waging a war of wattage.

There are flapping Santas strapped to TV aerials and plaster shepherds staked to the ground. There are millions of bare little Jesuses, shivering Wise Men and grinning angels to remind us how much more comfortable they'd all be if there were room for them in the Holiday Inn. Electricity must be held answerable for this general assault on the eyeballs. Those frozen holy pictures wouldn't be out there if it weren't for extension cords and double sockets. There's not much sense

in displaying your Christmas spirit if you can't plug it in for the neighbors to see. Thanks a lot, Spencer Tracy.

But, like I always say, To Each His Own. If the rest of the world wants its front yard to look like the grand opening of St. Joseph's Mobil Station, it's no tinsel off my tree. God bless them one and all, Tiny Tim and Miss Vicky. As for me, I always got a perverse pleasure out of owning the one home that really stood out at Christmas time. It stood out like a missing front tooth in the mouth of Mary Tyler Moore. In my neighborhood, everyone knew where Scrooge lived.

The trouble started when daughter Chrissie took me seriously on that To Each His Own philosophy. For her own, she decided she wanted lights on her house and landscaping. Her mother agreed and her brother said OK as long as she forgot the

idea of wedding an angel in his basketball hoop. The majority prevailed, all hail democracy and let's deck them there halls. So now, before going to bed every night, I must run out into the cold and pull the master plug. I must also flip several switches. Otherwise, darkness will never fall on our block and the tomcats will have no secrets.

"Doesn't it look wonderful?" Chrissie asked the first evening I shouldered my way through the festooning and squeezed through the door without breaking a light.

I had to admit it didn't look bad. But I think I was more influenced by the lights in her eyes than by the lights in the bushes.

Whatever turns you on, Honey. Which sure pulls the plug on this old Scrooge.

Merry Bah and Happy Humbug.



# Christmas Greetings

To all, we extend warm and happy greetings in the spirit of this most joyous season. It's our privilege to be a part of this fine community and we sincerely hope to continue serving our friends and neighbors in every way.

**The Avalanche**  
and Staff



**GRIFFIN BROADCASTS TO HANOI**—U.S. Senator Robert P. Griffin (R-Mich) outlines his prisoner of war proposals in a broadcast to be beamed over North Vietnam. Griffin's remarks over Radio of Free Asia will be interpreted into Vietnamese for short-wave transmission. Officials in Hanoi regularly monitor RFA broadcasts to gauge an index of American opinion. Griffin has urged the unilateral release of at least 1500 North Vietnamese from prison camps in South Vietnam, in addition to all sick and wounded. Such action, Griffin contends, would create worldwide an expectation of reciprocal action by Hanoi concerning American POWs. The Senate Republican Whip has also offered to go to North Vietnam to verify Hanoi's claim of humane treatment of U.S. prisoners by his personally inspecting the prison camps.

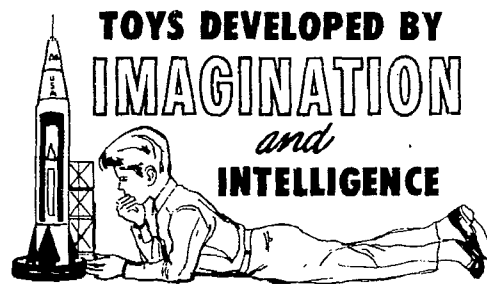
### Home and Schools To Use Microfilm

Micropublishing, the publication and dissemination of information on microfilm, is destined for a major role in homes and schools, according to Eastman Kodak Company. It will help Mom keep track of her recipes and assist the children with their school work. Dad will find micropublishing helpful in his home maintenance chores and hobbies.

Curriculum packages in schools will be microfilmed and libraries may even depend on micropublishing for lending in place of books.

The users of the products of micropublishing receive them in various ways, including roll microfilm magazines, aperture cards and microfiche. Microfiche cards are especially useful in micropublishing because of the volume of information that can be compacted on a single sheet—the equivalent of up to 500 pages.

### TOYS DEVELOPED BY IMAGINATION and INTELLIGENCE



Toys which teach as well as amuse are probably the strongest trend.

Toymakers today are employing psychologists and other specialists as designers and making educational toys for children down to and including infants.

War toys are out. Space toys, however, are in. On sale is an enormous array of space stations, moon walkers, rocket-launching outfits and moon globes drawn from actual photographs.

The main trend in dolls continues to be toward realism. Dolls now not only walk, talk, wet and sleep, but also ride go-carts, grow teeth speak Spanish and do push-ups.

Art is being stressed and in books the trend is toward experiencing as well as reading. Plants are sprouting in the form of children's greenhouses.

In sum, today's toys go far beyond entertaining and actually do engross the child in constructive activity.

### Percolator Punch Pleases The Palate

Fill your percolator basket with cinnamon sticks, sugar and spices — and you have the tasty beginnings of a hot festive punch. This non-alcoholic spiced punch is especially appropriate for teen gatherings, church socials, and as an "extra" beverage where liquor is served.

- 2 1/2 cups pineapple juice
- 1 1/4 cups water
- 2 cups cranberry juice
- 1 tablespoon whole cloves
- 1/2 tablespoon whole all-spice
- 3 sticks cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar.

Pour pineapple juice, water and cranberry juice into bottom of automatic 8 to 12 cup coffeemaker. Place remaining ingredients in basket. Set heat control on "strong" and complete perking cycle. Hold on "mild" setting. Serve hot in mugs or heatproof punch cups.

### The Old Timer



"A balanced diet is what you eat at a buffet supper."



### KNOW YOUR ENEMY!







Altimack

by Richard L. Milliman

15 Crawford County Avalanche Thursday, December 24, 1970

## Financial Storm Clouds Gather

If we listen to the soundings emanating from the state capitol in Lansing—and we may as well listen because they're going to grow in intensity in the months ahead—the financial storm clouds are gathering over Michigan government once again.

Oh, it's not as bad as it was in the "payless payday" era back in the late 1950s, but some heralds of doom would have us believe that same nadir can be reached again.

State government got a taste of what may lie ahead a few weeks ago with an edict that each of the 19 principal departments had to trim operations by 2 per cent right now. The reason cited by Gov. Milliken was declining state revenues because of the protracted General Motors strike. With the huge GM payroll way down, state income tax collections were way down, and so were state sales tax collections, too.

At last look, all agencies were making it through the belt-tightening process satisfactorily, and other overall economies were being made successfully, so the initial storm apparently has been weathered.

But a new legislative year approaches, and with it a new budget to be written for the year beginning next July 1, 1971.

Here, we are told, is where the real trouble will unfold. Costs are up, inflation continues, caseloads for government services continue to increase—that is, student loads, and prisoner loads, and patient

loads, and welfare client loads, and things of that sort.

And in addition, new programs cry for enactment—in drug control, in curbing crime, in clearing the environment, and on, and on, and on.

The resulting squeeze can mean only one thing—more taxes for 1971-72.

The governor, and the supreme court justices, and the legislators all will receive pay hikes, ranging up to \$7,000 a year for the justices. There is the slight technicality that the legislature in 1971 has a chance to veto these pay hikes, but don't bet on anything happening beyond a publicity skirmish or two.

The percentages are vast for some of these elected officials—20 per cent for the supreme court, for example. But wrapped all together, the total amount of money involved is but a drop in the bucket in the overall state budget.

The pay increase recently approved by the State Civil Service Commission for Michigan's 47,000 civil service employees is quite another thing. This package runs over \$40 million for the state's workers—which makes a bigger splash than the above-mentioned drop in the bucket.

Probably the most costly aspect of the civil service pay hike, however, will be felt in the ripples it creates. The \$40 million package affecting the 47,000 classified workers doesn't

stop there, unfortunately for the taxpayer. The ripples reach far.

For example, the 8.1 per cent average increase for state workers becomes the base for all local units of government in dealing with their employees for the coming year. If the state pays that much, why not local government?

And it also becomes the base increase for the thousands of employees in Michigan's vast college and university network, with the state picking up the tab.

Local school districts, too, will start from the 8.1 per cent as a point upon which to improve in local teacher negotiations. Most districts, we would guess, will seek to improve on the 8.1 state figure.

And so it goes.

For the first time in more than a decade, Gov. Milliken is talking in veiled terms about the level of business taxes, and how any business tax hikes will lead to business fleeing the state and drying up the tax-producing job market in Michigan. Shades of the G. Mennen Williams era are being hinted again.

Which all means, in the eyes of this analyst, that taxes are going up in Michigan in the coming legislative session. Remember, too, that it's not an election year, either.

The only questions are which taxes, and how far.



by MARY LEE

Is crime fast becoming a major problem in your area? If so, you may need a PAL. That's the youth recreation program of the Police Athletic League.

You see, in the past 10 years, arrests of young people have increased more than three times as fast as the population growth, according to FBI statistics. In 1968 there were 4,466,600 serious crimes reported, and almost half of the arrests for them were of persons under 18 years of age. In the first six months of 1969 that rate rose by 11 percent, and is continuing to increase in 1970.

Crime is a local problem. It is your concern and mine. When young people call the police pigs, swine, fuzz, rat, and sneer at law and order, we are heading for anarchy, and the time is past due to do something about it. We can help stop this terror by working with the police and law courts to develop sound activities for the young people in our communities. PAL is one of the most successful of such programs.

Started in New York City in 1914 as a police-sponsored group, it later became staffed with professional civilians. Today, it provides some 100,000 New York City children between the ages of 7 and 21 with wholesome activities. They maintain play-streets and youth centers where youngsters can learn sports and cultural subjects.

Not only do these children develop admiration and respect for the police who protect their communities, they find new heroes to worship. If a constructive youth group is needed in your area, talk with your police and local officials about having a PAL.

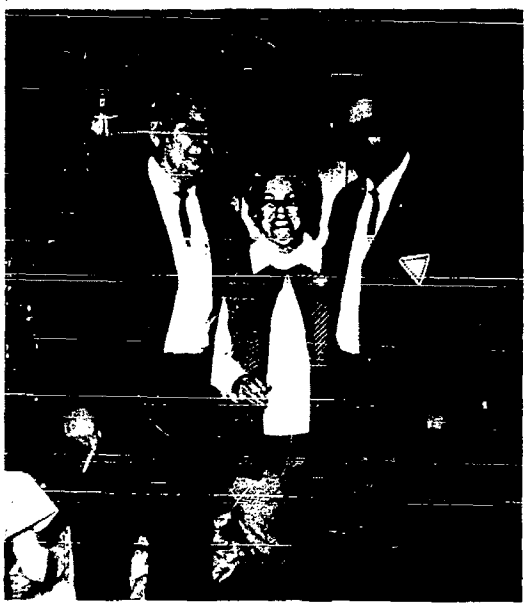
For more information on this organization, you can write to the National Police Conference on PAL and Youth Activities, Executive Office, 372 Park Ave., Weehawken, N. J. 07087.

### Light Gives Heat

A 30-story headquarters building burns lights all night, saves money, and helps ecology in Portland, Ore.

The lights maintain the heat level in the building of Georgia-Pacific, largely without help from any other energy source. This highly efficient energy conservation system during the day reclaims heat generated by human bodies, office equipment and solar heat from outside the building. At night, when fresh air requirements diminish the heat, the lighting system maintains required heating levels in the building.

There is sufficient heat from the internal sources to handle the entire heating requirements in the building until the outside temperature falls into the 30 to 40 degree range.



**WINNER** — Shown center is Mrs. Ken Wixom, who won a snowmobile suit given away at the Voiture 1495, 40 at 8 party Sunday held at the Legion hall. Flanking her on the left is Alvin Moore, Correspondent, and on the right Dick Hamlin, Chef de Gare.



## A King is Born

Hundreds of years ago, in a country far across the sea, there were shepherds who lived on the hills, day and night, tending flocks of sheep. Their faces were brown and tanned by the sun and wind, but they were strong men, brave and kind. They wore coarse clothes made of goat's hair and carried long crooks in their hands.

When the sun shone warm and bright, a shepherd would lead his sheep far away until they reached green fields and quiet streams, where they would graze and rest.

However, the shepherd could not sleep. He always had to keep a tender watch. So the shepherd, in his loneliness, was often exposed to great danger. There were robber hordes who came in the night to steal the sheep.

In those days people took little lambs to the Temple on holy days, to offer to God. The shepherds who raised the lambs were always good men. Their flocks were pastured together not far from the village of Bethlehem, in a place called Shepherd's Field. As the shepherds watched their flocks together, they meditated and talked together.

One cold winter night, a wonderful thing happened. A great light began to shine from the heavens. Brighter and brighter it beamed down upon the shepherds.

Startled by this heavenly vision, these men had only one thought: "The King has come!" they cried out. "The King for whom we have watched and waited!" Their hearts were filled with gladness. They went at once to Bethlehem—climbing the hills with eager haste. They reached the village, which was all in darkness. In the sky a lustrous star shone down, with a silver light, directly upon an old stable.

The shepherds hastened to the stable where the star pointed the way. It was strewn with hay and dusty cobwebs. Behold, in a manger lay the beautiful baby—The Infant King—wrapped warm in swaddling clothes.

### Christmas Is Special Time of Year

Every season, each holiday of the year brings some kind of change into the pattern of our lives. But, of all the days, in summer, winter, spring, or fall, there is—for everyone—a most favorite of all.

It is, of course, the Christmas.

We are captured by the spirit of Christmas long before the holiday arrives. The commercial aspects, the bright streets, decorated windows and well-stocked store shelves—these are obvious witness to the fact that Christmas is soon coming. But, the real change is something that takes place within the heart and the spirit. It touches first the very young. It comes to the school scene. It reaches out to the older community. Some grasp it eagerly; a few, reluctantly. But even the most persistent die-hard eventually becomes captive to the mood, throws away a year-round frown, walks with a sprightly step and offers a merry greeting to all the world.

As the holiday grows nearer, the spirit of warmth and happiness, brings to each individual opportunity to share in the most magnificent moment of all time—the birth of Jesus Christ, the Redeemer. This is the essence, the origin of anticipation—the realization that God sent his only son unto the world.



## Silent Night, Holy Night

Sing His praises joyfully for it is Christmastime! Reverently, we reflect upon the wonder of that first Holy night as we share the hope of the season with our many friends and neighbors. Good will to all men is in our hearts, with special good wishes and warm gratitude to our valued patrons.

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**SANTA AT LEGION** — Santa and Mrs. Santa are shown above visiting with a portion of the children that were entertained by the American Legion Post 106 at the hall last Saturday, Dec. 19. Standing in back ground are Mrs. Eleanor Filley, Leo Lovely and Jack Rasmussen, who were among many legionnaires, auxiliary and junior auxiliary members who worked on the very successful annual Kiddle's Christmas party. (Doug Morgan Photo)

### District Court Action

Those appearing before Judge Francis Walsh in the 63rd District Court last week included Howard E. Meadowcroft, 41 of Grayling, who pleaded guilty to D.U.I.L., and paid fine and costs of \$143.

Also Wesley Argue, 22 of Frederic, pleaded guilty to driving while under suspension of driver's license, and paid fine and costs of \$83 and spent three days in jail.

Jeffrey Fowler, 17, of Grayling, charged with larceny on December 14th and arraigned December 18th, pleaded guilty. He will be sentenced January 5th.

William Sullings of Grayling failed to appear for trial on the charge of using a revoked credit card. Bond of \$200 was forfeited.

### BOWLING LEAGUES

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3. Bear Archery 33½
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5. Clair's Standard 30
6. Jarmin Insurance 26
7. Post Oil Co. 26
8. Clark Super 21

#### American League - 2nd Div.

1. Union 76 41½
2. Millikin Const. 41
3. Bills Barber Shop 32
4. Grayling Distributing 30
5. Al & Jessies 29
6. Gray-Lee Judo Club 28
7. Johns Super 100 23½
8. Parker Surveying 15

#### National League - 2nd Div.

1. Ray's Canoe 37½
2. K & K Boys 34
3. R & H Sports 31½
4. Legion Lanes 30
5. Caid's Grocery 26
6. Gen. Telephone 25
7. Sam's Auto Parts 24
8. AuSable Manistee 16

#### Pioneer League

1. Packard Electric 41½
2. Al's Gals 34
3. Vita Boy 33
4. Dawsons 31½
5. Sorenson's 29
6. Cornell's 28
7. Avalanche 28
8. Fred Bear Museum 14

#### Recreation League

1. Pioneer Room 39
2. Culligan Soft Water 37
3. Grayling State Bank 37
4. Bills Laundry 32
5. Glens Market 31
6. Olson's 30
7. R & H Sport 29
8. Bay City Times 29
9. Lovells Bar 28
10. AuSable Hotel 28
11. AuSable Manistee 26
12. Recreationals 24
13. Legion Lounge 22
14. Ski Whiz Snowmobiles 21
15. Dingmans Tavern 20
16. Rochettes 14

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## BITS O' TALK

Mrs. Arthur Clough Sr. and son Kerry, and Mrs. Larry Smith Sr. and son Ernie were in Mt. Pleasant Saturday to attend the graduation of their sister, Mrs. LeRoy Akers. Mrs. Akers received her Master of Arts degree from C.M.U.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Murphy of Royal Oak have purchased acreage on Shaw Road. Cornell Realty handled the sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce B. Lankford of Dearborn Heights have purchased the Carlson cabin on Horse Shoe Trail according to Cornell Realty.

The Wednesday evening Buncos held their meeting last Wednesday at the home of Bonnie Kucharek. It was also their Christmas party and gift exchange. Jan Harney held high score with Mary Houle having second high. Alice Galvani had low and the door prize was won by Helen Harwood.

Sears Catalog Merchant will be closed Saturday, December 28 and Monday, December 29. Bill LaGrow, Harvey Rowland, and Art Weideman, salesmen for Cornell Realty, attended a meeting of the Farmers Home Administration Rural Credit service at Houghton Lake on Tuesday of this week.

Verner Rasmussen of Lansing came up on Saturday, Dec. 19, to pick up his mother, Elsie Anderson, and take her back home with him to spend the Christmas holiday and stay for a couple of weeks visit.

Howard and Doug Wilson arrived home from Central on Friday to spend the holidays with their parents the Jack Wilson family. They expect to be home until around Jan. 13.

Dorothy Laturszek was expected home from Kalamazoo this past weekend to spend the holidays with her parents, the John Laturszeks. She planned on visiting her girlfriend in Flint before arriving here.

## WISH I'D SAID THAT

Greet each dawn with a smile and your neighbors will wonder what you were doing up all night.—Harold S. May, The Florence (Ala.) Herald.

## MERCY HOSPITAL

Patients at Mercy Hospital this week include, Forest Barrett, Dolly Brooks, Beatrice Brown, William Callahan, Gladys Craft, Richard Good, Pearl Hedrick, Todd Lovely, Jack Millikin, Kary Moshier, Josephine Starks, and James Thompson, all of Grayling; and Ellen Davis of Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Moshier of Grayling are the proud parents of a 7 pound, 14 ounce daughter named Ann Marie, born on December 18.

## LAKE MARGRETHE WATER LEVEL

(Information furnished by U.S. Geological Survey)

Period of Record: Nov. 12, 1942 to date.

Area of Lake: 1,920 acres at elevation, 1,135 ft. m.s.l.

Water level, Dec. 17, 1970 1134.00 ft.

Water level, Dec. 17, 1969 1133.99 ft.

Maximum level for period of record, Sept. 15, 1961 1135.38 ft.

Minimum level for period of record, Sept. 24-27, 1948 1133.57 ft.

Preliminary figures subject to revision.

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## Christmas Greetings



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